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## HITLER HANGS HIS WARNINGS ON THE SIEGFRIED LINE

### BLOCKADE IS MAKING THE NAZIS SQUEAL

STOCKHOLM, DEC. 28 (REUTER).—THE BELIEF EXISTS IN BERLIN THAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE ARE NOW ENDEAVOURING TO FORCE SWEDEN AND TURKEY TO ABANDON THEIR NEUTRALITY, ACCORDING TO THE BERLIN CORRESPONDENT OF THE "DACBLADET."

The Germans think that the violent anti-Soviet campaign may induce Turkey to enter the war on the side of the Allies, while the question of assistance to Finland is intended to serve the same purpose in the case of Sweden.

### EXETER'S CASUALTY LISTS

Lt. Cdr. Bowman-  
Manifold Among Killed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

IN response to many requests from naval men in Hongkong, the "Telegraph" has obtained by cable from the London office of "United Press" the full list of casualties aboard H.M.S. Exeter, resulting from the ship's historic engagement with the Admiral Graf-Spee.

The Exeter, for some time, took on the erstwhile Nazi "pocket battleship" unscathed, and although terribly pounded, hit back so effectively that with the subsequent assistance of H.M.S. Achilles and H.M.S. Ajax, was able to force the German warship into a neutral port, seriously damaged.

Here is the full list of the Exeter's casualties:

#### OFFICERS

##### Killed

Lieut.-Commander John Bowman-Manifold.

Midshipman John S. Rickford, Paymaster Sub-Lieut. Donald H. Tyler.

Captain Humphrey R. D. Woods, Royal Marine.

##### Missing, Believed Killed

Acting Sub-Lieut. Clyde A. L. More.

##### Wounded

Probationary Temporary Paymaster Sub-Lieut. Jack E. Causton, Acting Gunner Thomas J. Lynn, Paymaster Midshipman Leslie D. E. Nathan Pennington.

##### RATINGS

##### Killed

E.R.A. (4th Class) F. E. E. Back.

A.B. F. Bellotti.

A.B. J. Bellotti.

Midshipman B. Blinford.

Ordinary Seaman R. M. Bowes.

Stoker Petty Officer D. Bright.

Stoker (1st class) S. M. Burns.

Stoker (1st class) F. P. Campbell.

A.B. R. G. Cartwright.

Midshipman A. J. Crozier.

A.B. G. L. Davies.

Acting Petty Officer G. H. Dove.

Shipwright (third class) F. W. G. Dyer.

A.B. F. T. French.

A.B. S. C. Gibson.

Marine S. P. Harrington.

Petty Officer Telegraphist H. Harris.

Chief Yeoman Signals A. Higginbottom.

Boy Bugler R. B. Hill.

Landing Signalman L. F. Honey.

Stoker Petty Officer A. S. Jones.

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### HEROES OF GRAF SPEE BATTLE PROMOTED

LONDON, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—Admiralty communiqué No. 1927 announces recognition of the services in action against the Admiral Graf Spee in the following promotions, to date from December 13:

Commander D. H. Everett, H.M.S. Ajax, to Captain;  
Lt. Commander R. B. Jennings and Lt. Commander C. J. Smith, H.M.S. Exeter, and Lt. Commander P. T. A. Love, H.M.S. Achilles, to Commanders.

### GREATEST DISASTER

### 80 Villages Razed In Turkey's 'Quake

ISTANBUL, Dec. 28 (Reuter).

—While exact details are unlikely to be available for many days, yesterday's earthquake was undoubtedly the greatest natural

disaster ever to have befallen the country.

Twelve provincial towns and over 80 villages have been partly or completely wrecked.

President Inönü, as well as the Ministers of the Interior and Health, are hastening to the devastated area in which scenes of suffering and despair everywhere greeted the relief parties.

### Lanchow Raid

### Japanese Bombers Shot Down

CHUNGKING, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—At least three Japanese bombers were shot down in aerial battles on Tuesday when 99 planes in three groups raided Lanchow, capital of the Kansu province, according to Chinese reports.

The report charges that such a practice apparently comes within the category of espionage and recommends his permanent expulsion from the United States.

Dr Ross sailed for Japan on March 17.

EX-GERMAN  
PILOTS JOIN  
THE ALLIES

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 28 (Reuter).

—Three airmen, ex-German pilots of the last war, have joined the Active Citizens Unit of the South African Air Force.

Their names are not being made public because they still have relatives in Germany, but one of them is one of the most famous war pilots Germany ever had.

### BOY SAVES SIX MEN

### New Epic Of The Sea Revealed

LONDON, Dec. 28 (Reuter).

—Six survivors of the torpedoed British ship, Arlington Court, were saved through the skill of an 18-year-old boy, it was learned in London to-day.

At Tiller For 6 Days

He and six others got into a water-logged lifeboat and he was the only one who knew how to navigate her.

He kept at the boat's tiller for six days, steering her by means of a small compass until he brought them into a busy shipping-lane, where they were picked up by a passing ship.

The Russians are attacking to the north of Suomussalmi with the evident object of making another attempt to break through the "wasp waist" to Oulu at the head of the Gulf of Finland.

Soviet troops dispersed at Suomussalmi have been re-concentrated against the Finnish centre for a new drive.

#### Railway Threatened

HELSINKI, Dec. 28 (Reuter).

—Two detachments of Finnish soldiers are now in Soviet Russia and are heading for the Murmansk-Leningrad Railway with the object of cutting it.

In view of their small numbers, they are avoiding heavy engagements.

They have headed for Kandalaksha, which is situated at the spot where the railway skirts the White Sea at its northern end.

If they can cut the railway and hang on in that area, the Soviets will be unable to get reinforcements and supplies through to the Petsamo front.

On the Petsamo front, the Russians have completely lost the initiative and are practically in a state of siege.

#### Tanks Form Fortress

A Finnish officer who has just returned from that area, reports that at least 100 Soviet tanks are now bound and in many cases the Finns have found their crews frozen to death inside.

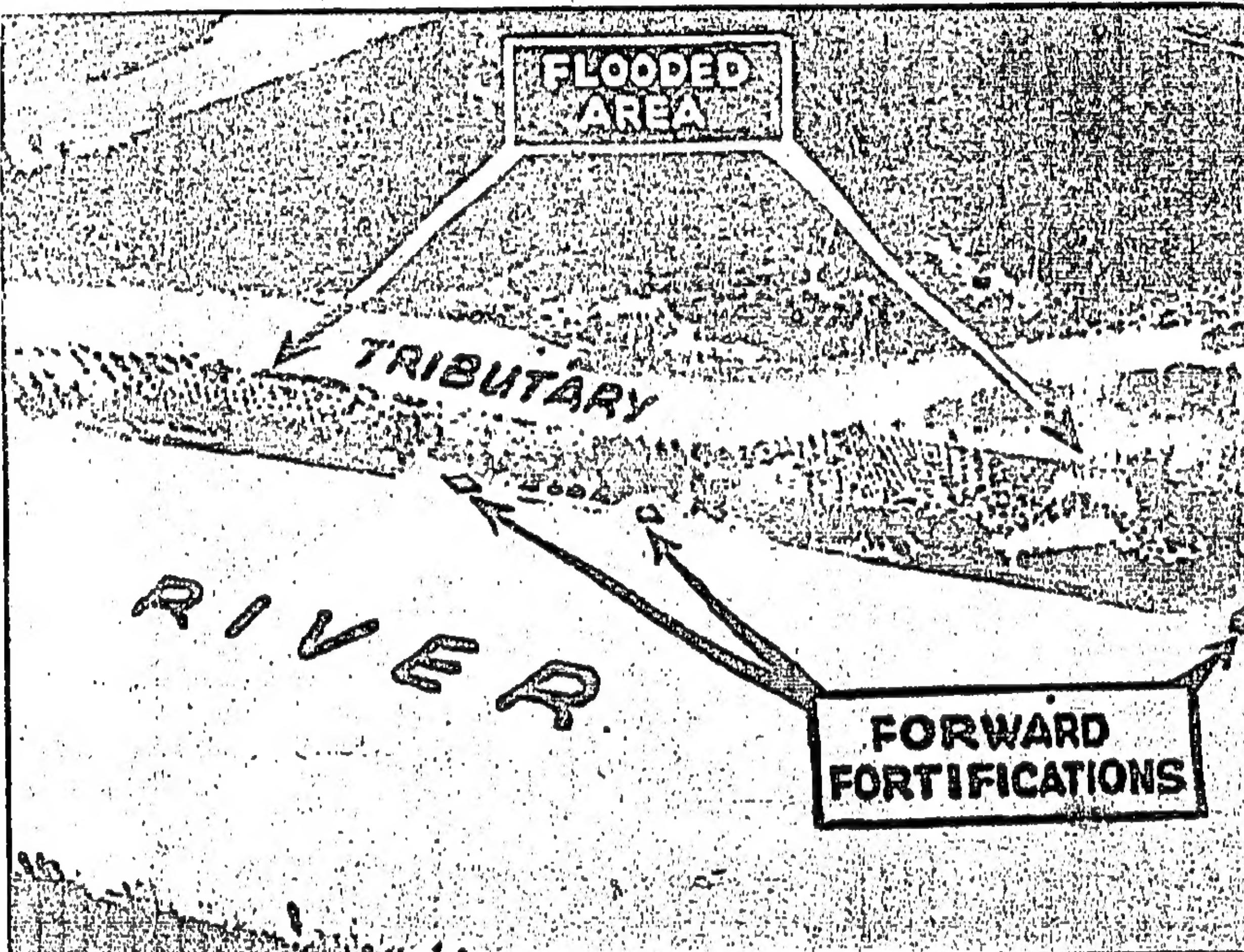
The crews of others are either surrounded or have fled.

In other cases, Soviet tank detachments have placed their tanks in a circle, forming a small but effective fortress. They are difficult to attack but at the same time they are isolated and useless to the main drive.

On the central front, the Soviets have lost large quantities of men and

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### WASH-OUT ON THE SIEGFRIED LINE



This picture, received in Hongkong last night, is the first to reach the Colony of the flooded Siegfried Line. It was taken during one of the many reconnaissance flights made by Allied planes, and shows fortifications of the West Wall under water at a point near a river bank.

### Amazing Russian Reverses In Arctic Continue

### FINNISH INVASION OF U.S.S.R. MEETS SUCCESS

HELSINKI, Dec. 28 (REUTER).—WHILE FIGHTING CONTINUES ON RUSSIAN SOIL EAST OF LIEKSA, THE FINNS ARE REPORTED TO HAVE PUSHED THE RED ARMY ACROSS THE FRONTIER AT A NEW POINT SOME MILES NORTHWARD.

Fighting is continuing in the border region of Kivivaara.

Reports received here suggest that the Soviet Command is preparing a determined attempt to retake the situation near Suomussalmi, where the invaders recently suffered a severe reverse.

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—It is freely reported that at least 2,000 Italian volunteers have arrived to fight against the Soviets, but this is not confirmed as yet in official circles.

At the same time, three Swedish volunteer contingents have arrived, and a large Danish ambulance-unit is on the way.

The appeals from Finland for active as well as moral support have received a reply in the broadcast by the Norwegian Foreign Minister. He said that Norway must pursue her course of non-participation because her whole defence system is based on that idea.

Nevertheless Norway joins wholeheartedly in all appeals for moral and humanitarian aid.

#### East Africa's War Expenditure

NAIROBI, Dec. 28 (REUTER).—An official statement reveals that, with certain exceptions, the war-time expenditure of East African territories will be met from Imperial funds.

The Governments will be asked to pay only 25 per cent. annually above their peace-time military expenditure.

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### Singapore Chinese Leader Expelled

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
SINGAPORE, Dec. 28 (UP).—The Government has issued an expulsion order against a prominent Chinese resident, Mr. Hau Say-hoan, a member of the China Relief Fund Committee which sends millions of dollars annually to China.

Mr. Hau is alleged to have encouraged unlawful societies under the cloak of genuinely patriotic activities.

In addition to being a member of the Fund Committee, he is a Director of a Singapore newspaper and the manager of an insurance company.

Sir Alexander Small, the Colonial Secretary, attended a meeting of the Fund Committee and stated that Mr. Hau personally encouraged the activities of unlawful societies—the Vanguard Corps and an Anti-Enemy Society—and was backing up a society which had committed many acts of violence and terrorism in the name of Chinese patriotism.

Sir Alexander said that these dangerous societies were closely connected, while the Anti-Enemy Society was the organ of the Malayan Communist Party, which in itself was a dangerous subversive organisation aiming at the overthrow of the government by open revolution.

#### Danger To Peace

Sir Alexander referred to leaflets issued by the Anti-Enemy Society and drew attention to particularly inflammatory passages and drawings.

"While the government sympathises sincerely with the Chinese in China, these illegal organisations have become a danger to the peace and good order of the Colony," he said.

Mr. Hau is required to leave Malaya before December 31 and must not return.

### LATEST

### MINE DISASTER RUMOUR DENIED

SENSATIONAL RUMOURS WERE CURRENT IN HONGKONG THIS MORNING THAT THE 1,650-TON STEAMER MACAU, OF THE TAI SANG STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S FLEET, HAD STRUCK A MINE OFF CHEUNG CHAU ISLAND, IN HONGKONG TERRITORIAL WATERS.

The rumour is denied by the Tai Sang S. S. Company, and neither naval nor police circles have any information.

The Macau left Hongkong at 8 o'clock this morning with a large passenger list.

She is a twin-screw steamer enlarged to regular ferry service between Hongkong and Macao. She was formerly on the Canton run. Built in France in 1903, the Macau was formerly the s.s. Paul Beau. She is registered in Hongkong.

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Further Late News

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## Record Crowd At Kwanti

(By "Capt. Foster")

(Continued from Page 6.)

ing round the bend. Mr. Poy rode a good race on the winner.

### CANBERRA H'CAP

#### An Easy Outing

AS predicted, Sea Urchin had an easy outing in the Canberra Handicap for Australian ponies, a 'chase over 1½ miles, and the mare won as she liked. She has improved immensely, in fact is a class fencer, and we may look forward to see a good match between Major Oliver's candidate and Brutus owned by Mr. G. Treverton.

There was only one spill when Iroquois and Mr. H. J. Cowle came to grief after clearing the fence near Sun Wai village, Bingo, after jumping the first fence, ran out, and the colt did not complete the course.

National Unity (a new comer) followed the field right up to the last obstacle, but instead of completing the last hundred yards from home the pony jumped over the rails to the track reserved for flat racing, and he made a beeline for the main entrance. The rider nearly had an ender.

### FANLING CUP

#### Critics Astounded

HAVING failed in many attempts to win a race at Happy Valley, Jack O'Lantern with his new owner Mr. J. Barron astounded every critic by romping home first in the Fanling Cup (flat race over seven furlongs) for "D" class China raters, beating Golden Cow and Estover by a length and two lengths.

There was no question of any fluke for the Jockey took the lead at the fall of the red flag, and the pony was never headed again. The combination paid \$50 for a win, which was the biggest dividend of the afternoon.

AS said in my notes, the starting post of five furlongs was in the dip but Palmer was the first pony to come out, and he

## GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichy



## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

### BANK HOLIDAY.

In accordance with Government Ordinance, the Exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of public business on Monday, the 1st January, 1940. (The first week-day in January).

Hongkong, 28th December, 1939.

### NOTICE

The office of the Commercial Secretary to His Majesty's Embassy in China and His Majesty's Trade Commissioner, at Hong Kong, will be closed as from the 1st January, 1940.

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Shippers are requested to apply to the Secretary for signature of contracts.

W. F. ARNDT,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, December 27, 1939.

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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

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### NOTICE (English)

#### ARMS LICENCES

Holders of Arms Licences are reminded that Arms Licences are due for renewal on 1st January, 1940 (Fee \$10.00 per Licence). Licences should call at the Accounts Office, Police Headquarters between the hours of 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. daily (Sundays and Public Holidays excepted), with their Licences.

(Sd.) T. H. KING,  
Commissioner of Police.  
29th December, 1939.

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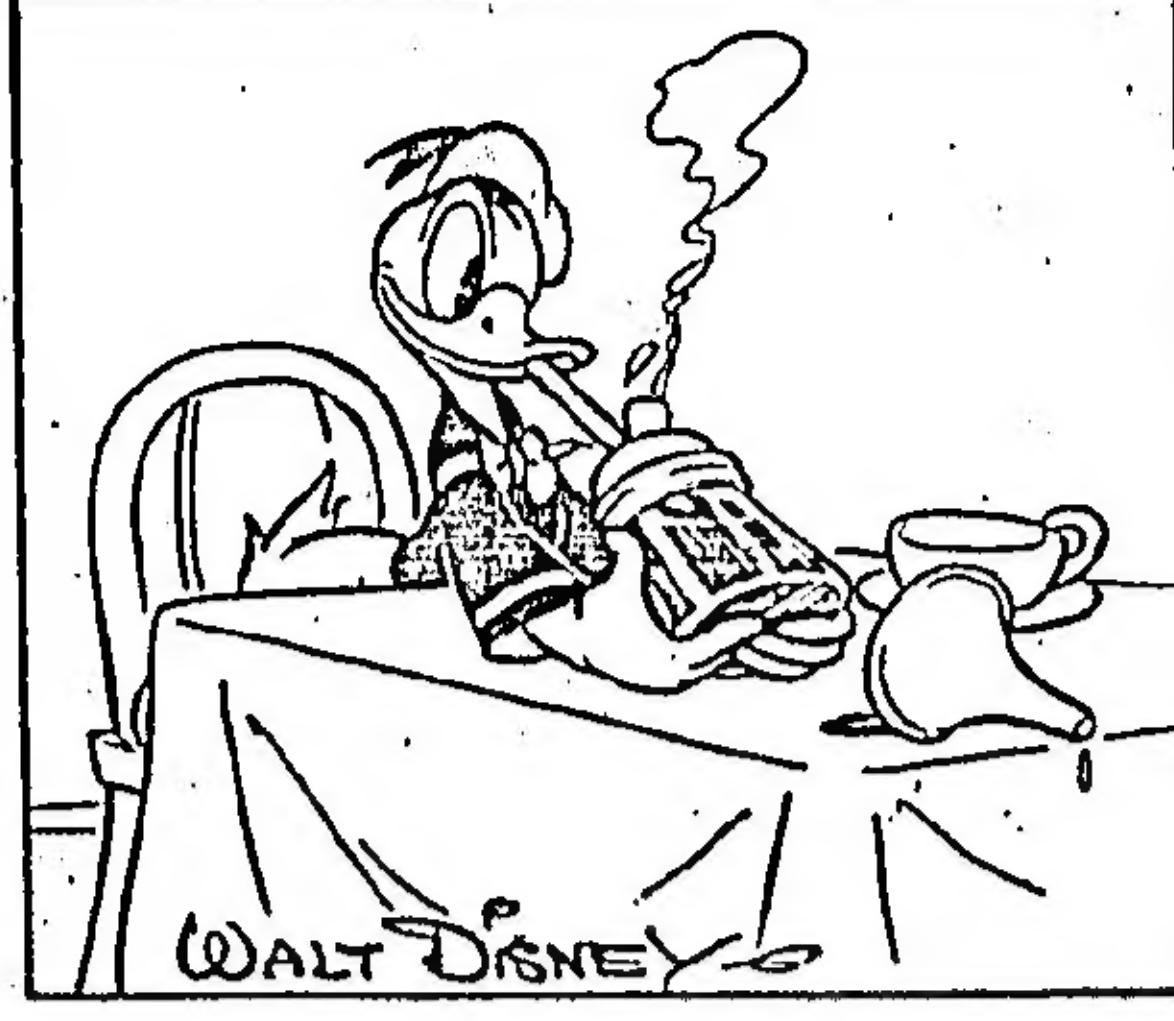
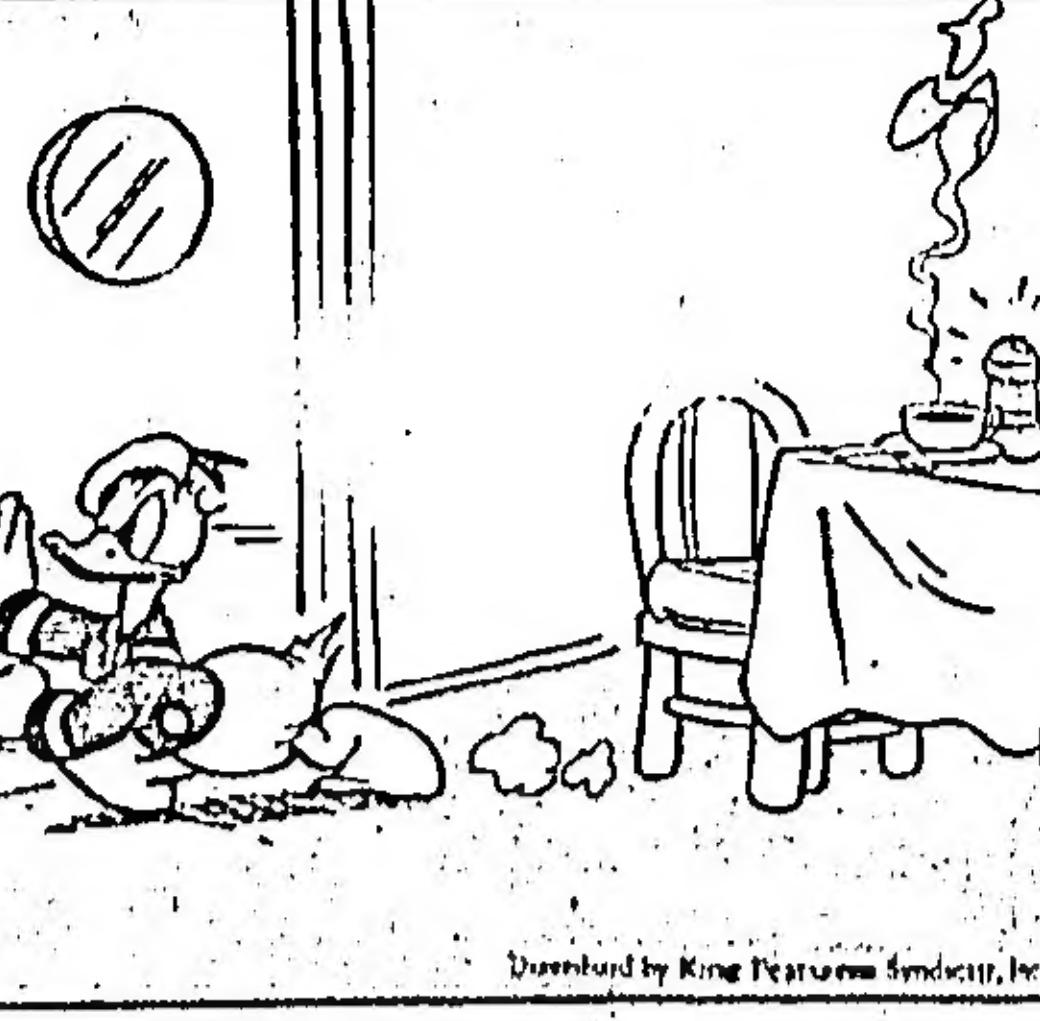
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## INSIDE NEWS

Mussolini has called for a report on progress of the Brenner fortifications on the German frontier, begun some months ago. He is taking no chances.

Nazi experts have discovered that the explosive used in the Munich bomb Hitler escaped was invented by a Jewish chemist, Gabriel Emmerich, who committed suicide in Dachau camp after Himmler had interned him.

The explosive is known as No. 17. Its formula was found among Emmerich's effects, tried out by experts and kept in reserve. It was used for the first time in the Munich bomb.

Gestapo is trying to discover how the secret leaked out.

Hitler's faith in astrology has been shaken. His favourite seer, Dr. Huber, is in a concentration camp.

For six months almost all Huber's prognostications have gone wrong. He supported Ribbentrop in forecasting that Britain would not fight. He also said the stars foretold Balkan diplomatic successes. Then Turkey went pro-Allies.

His fall came when, in a published horoscope, he compared Hitler with Wallenstein, great General in the Thirty Years' War. Thousands of readers wrote pointing out Wallenstein was murdered by his own officers. This so angered Hitler that Himmler acted.

## Gas Corps Work

PARIS—French women are busy in the formation of a new corps for war service. Their efforts have the full approval of the "passive defence" authorities.

The new corps is destined for special work during gas attack. It consists of some 150 women and is not likely to expand to much larger dimensions since its requirements are stringent.

The corps is composed of motor drivers and chemists, and both will work in an emergency under the direct orders of the police. French women are at this time

showing themselves in no way lacking in courage. Although warned that the towns and countryside of their eastern frontiers offer the most precarious living conditions, they refuse to leave them so long as any possibility of useful work remains to be done there. From all over the country come offers of help from women who are ready to leave places of comparative safety in order to undertake work made necessary by war conditions.

A corps of auxiliary airwomen has been set up in Paris. Members of Les Francaises de la Legion d'Honneur have opened a bureau at which are received offers from women for all kinds of war work.

## FRENCH LAY GLASS AS TRAP FOR NAZIS

By SEFTON DELMER,  
Daily Express War Reporter

OVER on the little bit of front which I watched, the Germans took not the slightest notice of the coming-of-age of Armistice Day, and, from what I hear from other sectors, they don't seem to have let off the burst of strafing we had all rather expected from them for 11 a.m. November 11, 1939, seventieth day of the new war.

## Ex-Kaiser banned gas bombs

GAS bombs were not dropped on London in the last war because the Kaiser forbade it at the last moment—so says Mr. Edward J. Bling, journalist, soldier and traveller, in his autobiography "Of the Meek and the Mighty."

In Berlin, after the war, a former Zeppelin commander told him the Germans had perfected a deadly gas bomb.

"And why was it never used?" asked Mr. Bling.

"Well," said the commander, "my Zeppelin was provided with the bombs immediately the invention was completed, and I had orders to drop them on London."

Just In Time

"We were all set to take off, and I was just going into the gondola when a phone call came through for me from Spain."

"G.H.Q. this end. That Captain O.2. Glad I got you in time. You are on no account to take those gas bombs with you. S.M. (for Seine Majestat, His Majesty, meaning the Kaiser) wishes them to be left behind."

The commander said he was also ordered to use the bombs on Verdun, and again the Kaiser said "No" at the last moment.

Once the officer was just off to bomb a house three miles behind the French lines in which it was known King George V, Marshal Joffre, and Mr. Lloyd George or Mr. Asquith were staying, when he was told the command had been cancelled.

Once more it was "S. M.'s orders." Reason given by the German officer: "The Kaiser is deeply religious."

## 100 New Warships For Navy

## 75 for Nazis

THE British Navy will be strengthened in the coming months by 100 first-class warships, and the German Navy by

seventy-three, according to details in the new issue of Jane's Fighting Ships.

The British programme says

Fighting Ships (Sampson and Low, 52s. 6d.), is:

Battleships 9 Destroyers 23

Aircraft carriers 6 Submarines 11

Cruisers 23 Escort vessels 24

Minesweepers 4

The German programme is given as:

Battleships 4 Destroyers 2

Aircraft carriers 2 Torpedo boats 30

Heavy cruisers 3 Submarines 28 (?)

Light cruisers 4

Four of the British battleships are

launched, and are due for completion early next year.

Two German battleships were

launched last spring after being

three years on the stocks. They

may not be completed before 1941.

The total of U-boats building

only represents those known to be

in hand last summer. Many more

have been ordered since, but none

of this new construction, to judge

by the details in Fighting Ships,

can be delivered before next

August.

Russia's Fleet

The twenty-eight boats under

construction this summer are all

that the Germans can add to their

fleet in the next few months.

Russia has the biggest submarine

force in the world, the figures given

being 150 completed and twenty

building. A large proportion of

these are in the Far East.

America is building the world's

largest aircraft carrier—the Hornet.

She will cost £6,350,000, will carry

eighty-three planes, with space for

stowing another seventeen, and will

house 2,072 officers and men. The

Hornet will thus have forty machines

and 600 crew more than the British

Ark Royal.

## CARADOC FUELLING Challenged By U.S. Senator

WASHINGTON (AP)—Senator Rush D. Holt has demanded that the United States Navy give a "complete explanation" of why the British light cruiser Caradoc was allowed to load fuel at the San Diego, Calif., naval depot recently. Before the war H.M.S. Caradoc was attached to China Station.

Senator Holt, member of the Senate Naval Affairs Committee, said "There should be some exceptional reason for allowing armed warships of a belligerent to come into an American port, load oil and then depart." He added that "It appears some public officials are trying to get this country involved."

Chairman Sol Bloom of the House Foreign Affairs Committee told reporters that "the Senator is unduly alarmed and I think he'll get a satisfactory answer" from Acting Secretary of the Navy Charles Edison.

Mr. Bloom called attention to a section of the neutrality act allowing belligerent warships to enter American harbours. Under that section they must leave within 24 hours after taking aboard only enough fuel to carry them to the closest port of their country.

The Caradoc left San Diego presumably for the Canadian base at Esquimalt, B.C.

## £10,000 Scheme To Popularise Capone

Ten thousand pounds will be spent by Al Capone's relatives in an effort to win national popularity and respect for America's one-time Number One bad man.

The campaign to glamourise Scarface Al, who is in a Baltimore hospital following his release from prison has started. His brother John said:

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Large sums will be spent on entertaining influential citizens to make them think well of Al.

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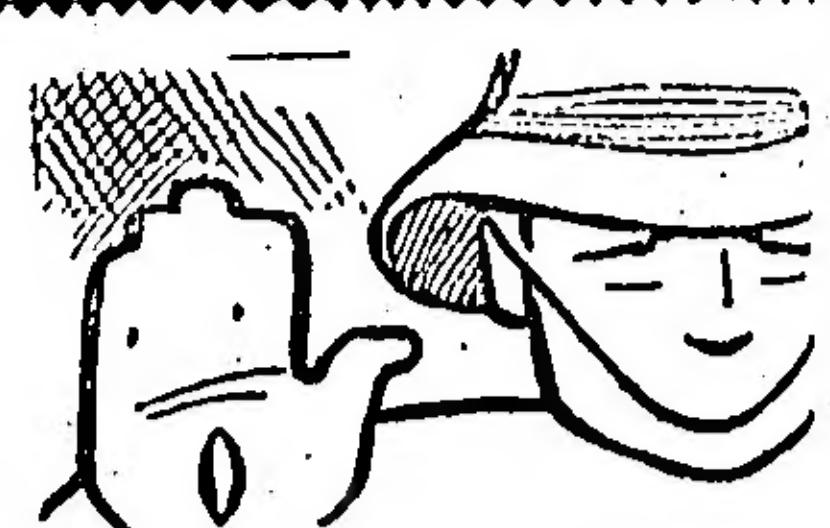
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The Military Moustache

IT seems that, as a result of

their being called up for  
service in the army, the youth  
of Britain are showing an increased  
tendency to cultivate the  
moustache. Not one of a  
very luxuriant variety; for,  
although the military authorities  
are not inclined to split hairs  
at this point, anything in the  
nature of a "walrus" or a "sea-  
lion" might be frowned on. It  
is the clapper "tooth-brush" that  
is the heir-apparent of those  
mighty beards that once waved  
at Balaklava and Lucknow—in  
the days before the gas-mask  
had come and left the unshaven  
chin bristling with difficulties.

Perhaps there is some significance to be seen in this evolution  
of the military countenance. For the fierce aspect of the "old  
moustache," and the rude, uncouth appearance bestowed by a  
shaggy mane, were once held,  
no doubt, to be symbols of the  
soldier's nature; but it is plain  
that little of this earlier concept of him lingers, if one may  
judge from the lip-service it receives.

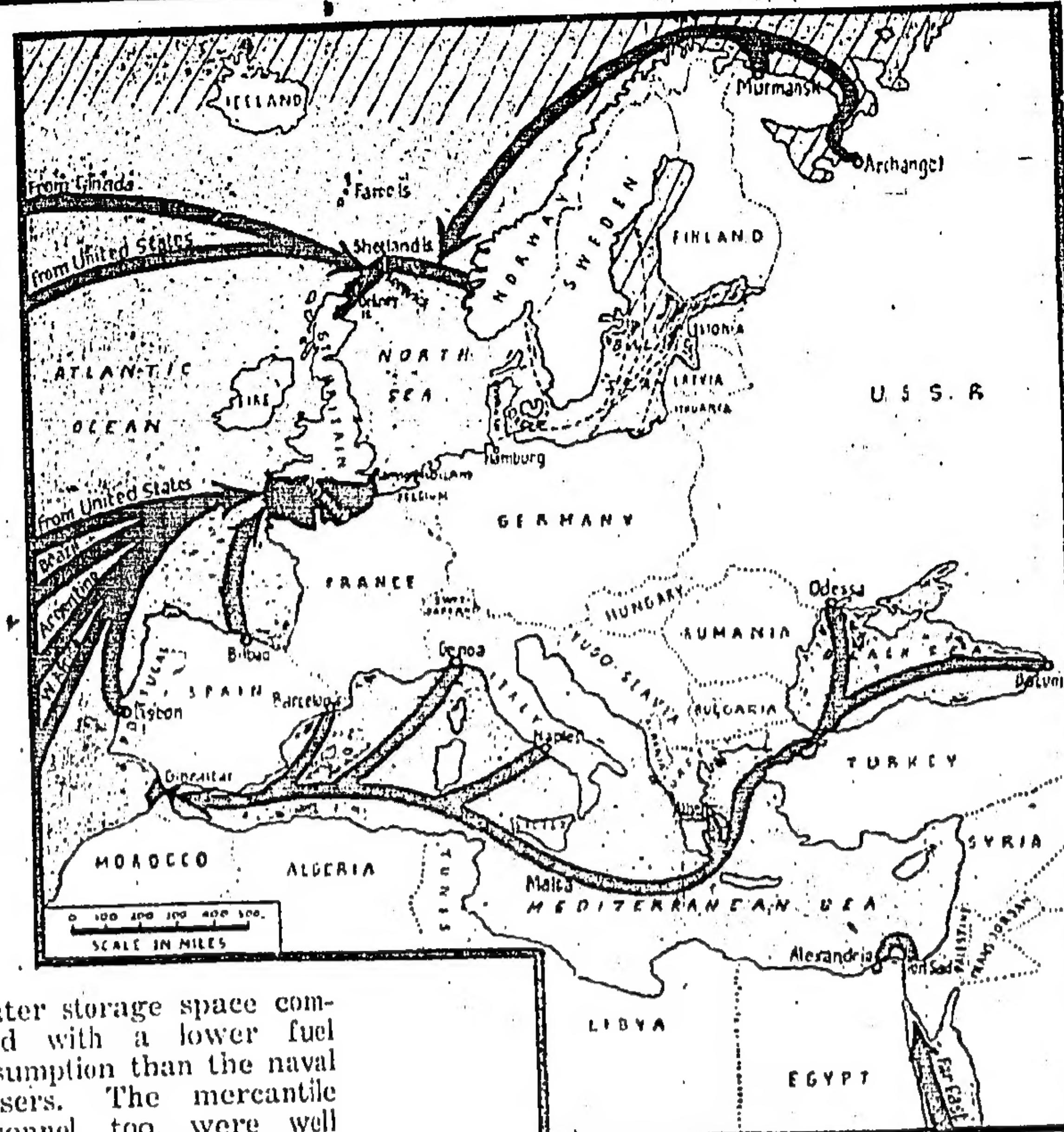
Eros—Evacuee

One of London's most famous  
figures recently appeared on the  
list of "evacuees," when the  
statue of Eros was removed from  
Piccadilly Circus. It was a very high compliment; for although His Majesty's Office of  
Works has sent James II into  
exile, taken away from the  
House of Commons a bust of  
Cromwell, and erected a scaffold  
for Charles I in Whitehall,  
this time to protect him, it has  
left the rest of London's statues  
to stand their ground unsheltered.

The average Londoner takes  
little exception to this since he  
has always had a feeling that  
"they'd none of them be  
missed." But this does not apply to Eros. Eros made a  
pleasant contrast to those  
eminent gentlemen who "sleep  
in dull, cold marble" all over  
London's squares, but who,  
wrapped in their frock coats, or  
froged tunics, are, in the Londoner's view, so far from being  
sleeping beauties.

The city evidently recognised  
the fact; it would much rather  
have seen the captains and the  
kings depart, not to mention the  
politicians, and it paid Eros a  
tribute that it seldom pays to  
them—it looked at him. He  
conquered not only its attention,  
but its affection; and although  
when peace returns, the Stuarts  
may enjoy another Restoration,  
they will hardly receive such an  
ovation as will conquering Eros.

## BLOCKADE NEWS REEL



A GLANCE at the  
map will show you  
why Napoleon, more than a century  
ago, cursed the geographical situation of Great  
Britain, why Hitler  
curse that same in-  
 escapable fact to-day.

The heavy lines show the  
sea routes by which in  
peace-time industrialised,  
urbanised Germany receives  
her main imports of iron  
ore, wool, oil, cotton, wheat,  
coffee, fruit, butter, coal,  
timber, copper and tin from  
the U.S.A., Argentine,  
Brazil, India, China and  
Japan.

To reach Germany all the  
North and South Atlantic  
sea routes must converge  
into two main traffic lines,  
both dominated by the  
British Navy. The northern  
routes must pass somewhere  
between the 250-mile span  
between Northern Scotland  
and Southern Norway, the  
southern routes must pass  
up the English Channel,  
through the 20-mile Straits  
of Dover. Those 270 miles  
control 85 per cent. of  
Germany's oversea trade  
routes, and those 270 miles  
are controlled by Britain.

Further South, the great  
Mediterranean trade routes  
can also be controlled by the  
Allied navies from several  
bases. At Suez, Malta and  
Gibraltar vessels can be  
inspected for contraband.

### HOW BLOCKADE WORKS

During the last war the  
blockade of Germany was  
maintained by the 10th  
Cruiser Squadron. At its  
maximum strength this included  
20 armed merchant  
cruisers, comprising ships  
of the Allan, White Star,  
Orient, Anchor, P. & O.,  
Union Castle, Royal Mail,  
Furness Withy, Elders &  
Fyffes and other lines.

These were commanded  
by naval officers, but otherwise  
the personnel was mainly R.N.R. (ex-mercantile).  
Experience during  
the first few months of the  
blockade proved these to be  
much better suited for such  
work than the old naval  
cruisers employed at the  
beginning. This procedure  
not only released naval men  
for strictly naval duties, but  
the merchant cruisers had

greater storage space com-  
bined with a lower fuel  
consumption than the naval  
cruisers. The mercantile  
personnel, too, were well  
trained in spotting other  
merchant vessels, and any  
odd features about those  
vessels.

These merchant cruisers  
were armed with 6in. and  
3in. guns, and their fuelling  
capacity enabled them to  
stay at sea for periods  
varying up to 30 days.  
Vessels were divided into  
patrols which covered the  
whole area from Iceland  
to the Hebrides, and as ice  
prevents ships from passing  
north of Iceland for several  
months of the year it was  
only necessary to keep that  
section patrolled during the  
summer months. In the map  
above, the scored area re-  
presents the extent of the  
ice during the winter  
months.

As a general rule ships  
were about 30 miles apart,  
since visibility for the look-  
out in the crow's nest was  
usually about 15 miles. Zig-  
zag courses were always  
steered to guard against  
submarine attack, and the  
general rate of steaming  
was 15 knots. In the centre  
of the line what was known  
as an "in and out patrol"  
was maintained.

Ships would steam in line  
blockade was maintained by  
abreast (i.e. on parallel  
courses) along the tracks of  
Norway and the Ork- War.

Shipping for 30 or 40 miles  
in one direction, and then  
for a similar distance in the  
reverse direction. During  
the hours of darkness all  
ships would steam to the  
eastward, and during day-  
light to the westward, thus  
preventing vessels slipping  
through the cordon at night.

Ships nearer the ex-  
tremity of the line would  
maintain what was known  
as a cross patrol, steaming  
backwards and forwards  
in line ahead, across the track  
of shipping; for a similar  
section patrolled during the  
distance to the "in and out"  
patrols.

### FIGURES OF SUCCESS

Throughout the period  
this patrol was in operation,  
only 4 per cent. of the mer-  
chant ships crossing the At-  
lantic managed to avoid the  
blockade. During the  
heaviest week recorded 156  
ships were boarded and 58  
sent into port for examina-  
tion. Two armed raiders  
detected and sunk.

Prize Courts in the last  
war were sitting from Sep-  
tember, 1914, and did not  
conclude their work until  
long after the signature of  
peace. Up to March 31,  
1920, the amount which had  
passed through the Registry  
of the Court was £21,254,  
412; and up to March 31,  
1938, £6,770,927 was paid  
out to the Naval Prize Fund  
for distribution among the  
merchants; but two were

detected and sunk.

From May 1, 1918, the personnel of the Royal Navy  
was maintained by and those who were attached  
to it during the Great War.

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blockade was maintained by  
abreast (i.e. on parallel  
courses) along the tracks of  
Norway and the Ork- War.

## The Allies Were Aryans Once

ONE of these days some one  
will ask Herren Goebels  
and Streicher who introduced  
the Aryan theory into Germany.  
Then there will be a rumour.

The Aryan theory is the most  
remarkable—and, as it has  
turned out, dangerous—accident,  
for which we are not entirely

blameless. The French invented  
it; we made it popular, and  
introduced it to Germany; and  
there it was firmly planted in  
patriotic minds by a Jewish  
philosopher.

That is awkward for the  
National Socialists, but quite  
true.

It all began like this. Not so  
long ago we Europeans knew  
nothing about the languages of  
India, and when Sir William  
Jones, a celebrated philologist,  
went to that country on Govern-  
ment business he took the  
trouble to learn Sanskrit, which

gave him the clue to the origin  
of a big group of European  
languages—English, German,

Icelandic and a host of others  
among them.

These languages are now called  
Indo-European or Indo-Ger-  
manic; but Sir William trans-  
lated the Sanscrit term quite  
innocently by the word Aryan—  
and then the trouble began.

A number of ethnologists and  
self-styled anthropologists got  
hold of these Sanscrit researches  
and jumped to the conclusion  
that if people speak similar  
languages you can say they be-  
long to one race."

In 1855 Count Joseph de  
Gobineau, an enthusiastic and  
eccentric Frenchman, wrote a  
book called "Essay on the In-  
equality of the Human Races,"  
which, as the title suggests,  
tried to prove that one so-called  
race—the Aryan race—was the  
greatest in the world.

This book caused much discus-  
sion in France and England. It  
was very nice for every one to  
think that he belonged to the  
chosen race. The Prussian Min-

ister in Britain, Baron Bunsen,  
took up the theory with  
enthusiasm and passed it on to  
his pupil, Max Muller, for many  
years a professor at Oxford. In

France the Aryan race was  
eventually identified by de  
Lapouge with the Nordic group  
(originating near the Baltic).

Max Muller plucked the  
Aryan theory for forty years,  
and then at length realised that  
he had been barking up the  
wrong tree. Just fifty years  
ago he wrote: "I have declared  
again and again that if I say  
Aryans, I mean neither blood  
nor bones, nor hair, nor skull;  
I mean simply those who speak  
an Aryan language."

And Yiddish has a good claim  
to be considered an Aryan  
language. That was why Moses  
Mendelssohn, Jewish-German  
philosopher, took up the Aryan  
theory and introduced it to  
German scholars.

By the time the German uni-  
versities got hold of the mil-  
itaries.

taken theory the English had  
got over it and the French were  
laughing at de Gobineau and de  
Lapouge. Unfortunately, the  
German nationalist movement  
absorbed it with a vengeance.

Gustav Kossinna, Prussian  
nationalist, appointed himself  
Aryan historian of the German  
people and tried to prove that  
"history was pre-eminently a  
German national science,"  
though no one could imagine  
why history should be a national  
science save Kossinna's fol-  
lowers.

But due to the national  
science appeared on the title-  
page of the second edition of his  
book. It was dated: "On the  
day of general mobilisation,  
1914."

And on the same day a group  
of young Prussians formed a  
corps with a new standard—the  
swastika.

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## OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

## DREAM REALISED

## Pope Visits King And Queen Of Italy

Rome, Dec. 28. The bells of St. Peter's pealed as the Pope left the Vatican this morning for the visit to the King and Queen at the Quirinal.

The visit, which was the first made by any Pope to the King of Italy for 60 years, is regarded as the final act sealing the settlement of the ancient dispute between the Italian State and the Vatican. In the Vatican newspaper, *Observatore Romano*, the significance of the visit as a demonstration of settlement of the dispute by peaceful methods is especially emphasised.

The Royal mission awaited His Holiness in St. Peter's Square to convey to him the first greetings of King Victor Emmanuel. The Pope and suite then entered 40 cars which formed the Papal cortege. At the border between the Vatican and Italian territory, the Pope was greeted by the Governor of Rome, who made a short address stressing the historical importance of the occasion.

The route taken by the Pope was elaborately decorated and lined with troops, behind whom stood great crowds waiting to see the procession. The Pope was wearing a beret hat and a red cape, beneath which was a white cloak and stole. Over 40 high dignitaries of the Church and Papal Court were in the procession.

As the Papal cortege approached the Palace, the musical bands played the Papal March, Italian National Anthem, and the Fausto hymn, *Glory*. The Pope was received at the Palace by the King and Queen, with whom were the Heir to the Throne, the Prince of Piedmont and Princess of Piedmont, and Count and Countess of Cluny. His Holiness and the King and Queen then entered the Throne Room, where three thrones had been set up, and remained some time in conversation.

The Cardinals mixed freely in the ante-room with the Court dignitaries. Over the Quirinal the Papal flag and Royal Standard of Italy flew side by side.

The event is described here as the realization of a dream of the Mussolini era.—Reuter.

## Long Talk With King

Rome, Dec. 28. The Pope talked with the King and Queen for 35 minutes. Afterwards His Holiness received the Italian Papal Court and in an address praised the Anglo-Vatican friendship. United Press.

## Important Address

Rome, Dec. 28. It is stated that the Pope delivered an address to the King and Queen which is described as "very warm and very important."

On his return to the Vatican, the Pope drove in an open car despite the rain. At the frontier the Governor of Rome and the Royal delegation again rendered homage, while the Italian Guard and Papal Guards presented arms.—Reuter.

## Mussolini To See Pope

Vatican City, Dec. 28. It is officially stated that Signor Mussolini will visit the Pope on January 4. Church quarters announcing the visit describe it as a "visit of homage."—United Press.

## Germany Displeased

Amsterdam, Dec. 28. It is learned from Berlin that the activities of the Pope are being watched with particular attention in Germany.

While the German Press is not likely to criticise the rapprochement of the Vatican and the Italian Government, such a step, it is thought, will be regarded with some apprehension by Nazi political circles.

The Pope's Christmas address, according to the Berlin correspondent of the *Rotterdamsche Courant*, was received in Germany with little approval.

While the desire for a new order in Europe is thoroughly appreciated, His Holiness' remarks, it is thought, imply criticism of Germany's war methods, which are fully justified in the opinion of German circles, and the alleged intention of Britain and France to annihilate Germany is regarded in these circles as a sufficient means to bring doubters over to Hitler's side.

The appointment by President Roosevelt of a personal representative to the Vatican is also regarded with doubt by Germany, which sees in this a critical election move on the part of the President.—Reuter.

## No Official Comment

London, Dec. 28. It is reported from Copenhagen that the Berlin correspondent of the National Tidende states it is believed in some quarters of the German capital that the object of the negotiations between the Vatican and the Italian Government is to develop a stronger front against Communism and to reply to the continued and reinforced efforts of Moscow to carry through a Bolshevik world revolution. The matter, however, is regarded as one of internal policy as far as Italy is concerned and calls for no official comment.—Reuter.

## Sea Battle Heard

HAGESUND, Dec. 28 (UPI).—At several points on the west coast yesterday, cannon fire was audible from the North Sea.

Details are, lacking but the inhabitants believe there has been a sea battle, because German naval units are said to be in that area.

## DUBLIN TENSION

## Search For I.R.A. Saboteurs

DUBLIN, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—An armed military cordon still ringed the city to-night as Police and troops continued the search for the ammunition stolen from Phoenix Park on Saturday.

Twenty arrests have already been made.

The search goes on only in the capital, but in the woods and lanes of the counties of Kildare and Wicklow, fields and hedges of estates are being combed.

## City Completely Cordoned

In Dublin, military patrols continued to search all cars entering and leaving the city, which is so completely cordoned that it is impossible to enter or leave without passing through at least one patrol.

All pedestrians carrying cars are stopped, and searched, and in the country districts the quest is even more thorough, for everyone, whether walking or cycling, has to submit to examination and explain where they have come from and where they are going.

## Government Reward Offer

DUBLIN, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—The Government is offering a reward of £1,000 for information leading to the recovery of the stolen ammunition. Substantial rewards will be paid in respect of any portion of the ammunition.

The number of arrests is now estimated at 30.

## EXETER'S CASUALTY LISTS

(Continued from Page 1)

Telegraphist M. T. Kavanagh, Stoker (1st class) A. E. Kelly, Telegraphist A. R. Lunnon, Stoker (1st class) W. MacLeod, Stoker (1st class) G. Manning, Corporal W.G.R. Marsh, A. B. F. H. McDonnell, Marine J. P. McEvoy, Marine E. Mill, Stoker (2nd class) C. Monks, A. B. T. H. Naylor, Stoker (1st class) P. J. O'Leary, Telegraphist D. J. Parry, Stoker (1st class) T. B. Pett, Leading Supply Assistant L. W. Pullybank, Stoker Petty Officer F. Randall, Chief Yeoman Signals T. Remick, A. B. B. Richards.

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## Died Of Wounds

Chief Petty Officer W. A. Ainge, Leading Stoker E. J. George, A. B. L. C. Hill, Acting Leading Seaman A. V. Phillips, A. B. H. Spencer.

Missing, Believed Killed Chief Stoker S. B. P. Tongue.

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## Japanese Rearmament Project

Tokyo, Dec. 28.

Speaking at a conference of Central executives of the Army, General Sanjour Isha, the War Minister, today declared that the Army has formulated a four-year rearmament plan in accordance with "absolute necessities" in connection with the accomplishment of the current campaign, to cope with the changing international situation and to insure the national defence against future crises.

The War Minister revealed that while the budget to finance the projected rearmament will be submitted for approval to the Diet, an understanding has already been reached with the Government regarding the financing of the plan.

"As you know the prospect of disposing of the China Affairs is still remote as it is attended by many difficulties and all members of the nation are earnestly requested to live up to their firm determination and great patience and effectively participate in the campaign involving the general mobilisation of national resources."

"At a moment when no optimism is permitted with regard to the adjustment of Japan's relations with various foreign Powers, the Imperial Army is in a position to act as the principal support for the general national campaign and by tackling the difficult situation with a strict attitude and firm determination to come up to the august wishes of the

## Russian Attacks Again Repulsed

## New Troops Thrown Into Fray By The Soviets

Helsinki, Dec. 27. The official Finnish communiqué states that the Russians yesterday launched an attack at noon north of Lake Latjalahti but were repulsed. The Russians are still trying to cross the Suvanto River.

A further Russian attack along the Taipale River was repulsed.

To the north-east of Lieksa the enemy are retreating to the frontier in the direction of Divinara, where the Finns are advancing.

In yesterday's air raids on south Finland four civilians were killed and several wounded at Kotka. The total casualties for all raids has not been stated.

Eight enemy tanks were destroyed to the north of Lake Latjalahti where an enemy attack was repulsed.—United Press.

## New Soviet Divisions

With the Finnish Army, Dec. 23. With renewed threats, the Russians threw themselves again to-day on the Mannerheim Line bastions, as this "Verdun Battle" went into its fourth week. Over 270,000 fresh troops, among the Red Army's best, will be brought from the interior of Russia to be thrown into the war.

These troops will comprise three Siberian Divisions from the Arctic regions, suited to sub-zero temperatures of cold, 12 Caucasian Divisions, accustomed to snow and low temperature. Soviet transport system. It will be some time before these forces can come into action.

Such large scale movements and the long distances require hundreds of trains and trucks.—United Press.

## Tanks Fall Through Ice

Copenhagen, Dec. 28. The newspaper *Aften Posten*'s correspondent in Finland reported that the Finns had been cut off and forced to surrender an unspecified number of Russians on the Salo front.

Russian tanks broke through the ice during an attempt to cross the Suvanto Lake. Some of the crews were drowned.

In the far north Soviet tanks were bogged and became miniature fortresses, which the crews were fighting against the Finnish onslaught.

The correspondent said the place where 250 volunteers from Skerries crossed the frontier was east of Sastamala. They were heading for the Mannerheim railroad near Kandalakska.—United Press.

## Small States Reply

Geneva, Dec. 28. Colombia, Uruguay, San Domingo and Liberia have answered the League questionnaire and re-affirmed the extension of help to Finland by all means possible.—United Press.

## Assistance In China

Shanghai, Dec. 28. The Chairman of the Finnish Association in China, M. N. Synderberg, expressed his "deep gratitude and satisfaction for the moral support shown and the splendid financial assistance extended by the Shanghai public."

He said Finland was fighting not only for her own existence but "was defending the sacred principles of liberty and freedom."

The enthusiastic response of this international city, he said, was indeed indicative, coming as it does in the dark hours of affliction through which "our little country is passing."

—United Press.

## RATIONING AT HOME

## 12 Ounces Of Sugar Each Week

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Dec. 28 (UPI).—Britain will start sugar rations on January 8 according to an official announcement made today.

As from that date each person will be allowed 12 ounces sugar a week.

Meat is also to be rationed in the near future, although the amounts and the date from which the rationing will start, are yet to be revealed.

## Bacon And Butter Also

LONDON, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—Official sugar rationing begins in Britain on January 8 together with bacon and butter.

The sugar ration will be 12 oz. per person per week.

All those in Britain must register for meat rationing by Monday week and the control of livestock begins week later.

—United Press.

## Trawler Believed To Be Lost

LONDON, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—A trawler *Lochdoon* is overdue and must be presumed to be lost, according to an Admiralty announcement.

The crew numbered 10.

Empire on the one hand and respond to the confidence the nation is placing in them.

"It is necessary to make complete preparations in advance and put various plans into practice in a steady and unfailing manner.

—Domes.

## Support For The Premier

TOKYO, Dec. 28 (UPI).—The leaders of five political Parties which pledged their support to the Abe Cabinet have announced that they will not join the anti-administration campaign started in Tuesday by 250 Diet members, but at the same time they have issued a statement in which it is stated that no attempt will be made to ban the movement.

The Government leaders are apparently confident that the Cabinet will pull through the Diet session successfully and are therefore paying more attention to mapping out a plan to stabilize the national market.

The "Kokumin Shinbun" reports that the Lord Privy Seal, Kurashiki Yusa, has asked the Premier to continue his duties despite the suggestion that the Abe Cabinet will resign.

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## "Captain Foster's" Racing Review

# HAPPY VALLEY STATISTICS FOR 1939 SEASON

## Records For Dividends And Time: Encarnacao Heads Jockey List

(By "Captain Foster")

DECEMBER 16 was undoubtedly a red letter day to the Hongkong Jockey Club when a good few thousand regular followers of the turf turned up at Happy Valley to see the closing of 1939's flat racing. It was the last meet of a series of 13 Extra Race Meetings, and was without any doubt a grand success, and we have to thank Mr. Clerk of the Weather for providing a glorious sunny afternoon.

History was made in the fifth event, the Tardy Handicap over a mile for "B" class China ponies (first leg of the daily double), when the race club took in a colossal aggregate sum of \$131,790 from the four betting counters and they were made up as follows:

5,800 tickets cash sweep at \$2 each	\$11,600
5,320 chances for win at \$5 each	26,600
5,484 " for a place at \$5 each	27,420
11,528 " " first leg" \$5 each	\$57,640
Plus carried over 1,706 chances \$5	8,530
	66,170
	\$131,790

I said in my last that the carrying over of the daily double pool was a consolation to those punters who failed to connect the second leg at the previous meeting, but one never expected to see the sale amounting to 11,528 chances. The gambler represented a turnover of \$57,640 which racegoers wanted to kill the fatted calf of \$7,623.

However, as the Club anticipated a big sale, and the cash sweep booth reserved for members was employed to meet the heavy demand, but the two counters were inadequate to cope the rush. As a matter of fact, long before the weighing-in of the previous event, the Hongkong Autumn Sub-Griffins' Champions was finished, the sale had already commenced, and the "head over heels" scramble was so great that the Stewards ordered a twenty minutes delay of the running of the first leg of the daily double.

Under the category of wins and place, the sale of tickets for the Tardy Handicap was 5,320 and 5,484 respectively, which summed together would a total of only 10,804 as against 11,528 chances taken for the first leg, and in the circumstances it will be seen that the public took more interest in the Daily Double than in the pari-mutuel betting.

### HANDICAPPER ONE UP

A COMPLIMENTARY word or two must be accorded the handicapper, who had a pretty point to decide in weighing together the ponies that ran in each division of the Sussex Handicap, for Oak Bay, who was always in the second section, nearly blundered a coup. Mr. Stanhope's great old steed succumbed to New Star by a short head and there were only 250 tickets on Oak Bay, as against 2,770 on New Star. It was certainly a close shave.

Potino, the red hot favourite, disappointed the public to the extent of 3,025 chances, but Mr. Encarnacao made amends in the second, by riding a fine race on Rose Fluna. It may not be known that six chances of the first leg were not exchanged, and it would interest one to know what the holders of these tickets were doing?

A record sale of 6,701 chances for wins, and 5,511 for places was established in the Queensland Autumn Champions for the Australian ponies, when the two reached an aggregate total of 12,212 eclipsing the sum of 12,150 in the Manly Handicap on June 3 last by 62 dickets.

### RECORD OF FINISHES

THERE WERE actually (including the Annual Carnival) 21 days of racing, and 107 events were contested during the year under review. Racing was always of very high standard with plenty of thrills and exciting finishes.

I have taken a little patience to segregate the margin of defeats with the following results:

Dead Heat	4
A Head	17
A Neck	22
1/4 Length	23
1/2 do	3
1 1/4 Length	13
1 1/2 do	24
2 do	86
3 do	26
4 do	45
5 do	4
6 do	3
7 do	8
Many Lengths	8
	187 races

### Craigengower, Recreio And Varsity XI's

The following will represent Craigengower, Recreio and Varsity XI's in their annual match against the present students of Anderson, A. S. P. and P. D. P. G. C. W. Lam, A. T. Lee, H. Trimble, W. Hong, S. J. Youngs, E. Zimmoen, F. R. Zimmoen.

## RECORD ATTENDANCE AT KWANTI RACES

### C. ENCARNACAO HEADS THE JOCKEYS

#### FARR READY TO FLY ATLANTIC TO FIGHT JOE LOUIS

AIRCRAFTMAN TOMMY FARR is so keen for a fight with Joe Louis that he is prepared to fly the Atlantic for it.

He said so yesterday, Mike Jacobs, the promoter, has offered him a fight with Louis, for the world's heavy-weight championship, in New York, on March 16.

It all depends on whether Tommy can get the necessary leave.

"I wouldn't want much time off," he told a reporter, "because I might fly each day."

"You can take it that I shall go all out for that title."

In accepting Mike Jacobs' offer, Farr asked for 20 per cent. of the gate. Jacobs agreed.

This would be Farr's second fight with Louis. The first time Louis won on points after a close and terrific fight.

### J. A. GUARD SCORES 101 WITH APERTURE SIGHTS ON STONECUTTERS RANGE

Although conditions on Saturday were ideal at the Hongkong Rifle Association's spoon and practice shoot at Stonecutters Range, only 40 members were present.

J. A. Guard, Dockyard Rifle Club, returned a very good score in the Aperture Sights class when he topped the list with 101. The handicap spoon in this class was won by A. Simpson, Dockyard Rifle Club.

### Golf

#### Holiday Competitions At Fanling

Several golf competitions were held over the Old and New Courses at Fanling during the Christmas holidays.

In the Bogey Far Pool on the Old Course, T. Low (13) and J. M. Tomlinson (12) were one up, and, dividing the spoils, there were 60 entries.

In the Medal Round held over the Old Course, J. T. Smith, Colony and Club Champion, returned a scratch score of 74 and tied with W. J. E. Mackenzie, who had a card of 90 (10) 7. They divided the spoils. T. Low actually returned a better score

#### Another Hole-in-one At Fanling

Playing the sixth hole (121 yards) on the Relief Course of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club, Fanling, over the Christmas holidays, Mrs. E. S. Doughty holed in one. The hole is known as the Tea Table.

of \$2 (13) 69, but could not take a prize as this was the same round as the winning one in the Par Pool. There were only 24 entries in this Medal Round.

The Bogey Par Pool held over the New Course was won by H. Overy (20), who was one up. There were 17 entries.

The Mixed Bogey Par on the New Course attracted 21 entries and was won by J. W. Mayhew (10) and Mr. W. N. A. Smalley (10), who finished all square.

#### NOBODY WANTS A HORSE FOR NOTHING!

WHAT can be the matter with Flummery—the bay Australian hunter and steeplechaser of 14.3 hands which had won and been placed many times at Kwanti? Offered free to anyone at the pony rump at Happy Valley yesterday, there were no takers.

There were eleven ponies in all offered for auction, but only six were sold. The highest price was \$450 paid by Mr. Tang Man-wa for Tribune, a 1030 sub. gelding, 14 hands.

Colonial Pride and Pintharts were withdrawn, as bids did not reach the reserve price of \$1,500.

Ponies sold, their purchasers and the prices paid were:

The Mermaid, a chestnut 1030 subscription gelding, Mr. T. C. Yuen \$80; Tiger Eyes, a skew 1030 subscription gelding, Mr. T. H. G. Brayfield, \$80; Factorie, a chestnut 1030 gelding, Mr. S. W. Tang, \$80; Gold Sovereign, a bay 1030 subscription gelding, Mr. F. M. L. Soares, \$85; Soldier of China, a grey 1034 gelding, \$80; Tribune, a 1030 grey subscription gelding, Mr. Tang Man-wa, \$80.

## KWANTI RACES

### Fine Double Win For J. Barrow: Favourites Disappoint Punters

(By "Captain Foster")

KWANTI RACECOURSE never had a bigger attendance of true lovers of gee-gees than that on Boxing Day, when the Fanling Hunt and Race Club opened their season with a nice programme of six hard fought contests. The meet was graced by the presence of His Excellency the Governor accompanied by Lady Northcote and the Colony's leading lights, and it was certainly a grand success.

With the exception of the Canberra Handicap (a "chase over the Derby course") in which Major Oliver's Sea Urchin annexed the jump by the length of the street, the result of the remaining events was very close affairs, and the red hot favourites disappointed their followers very badly. Every jumping or flat racing event was keenly contested, and the atmosphere was certainly horsey, because every candidate had hosts of Yuletide holiday makers.

Congratulations are extended to Mr. J. Barrow, who captured the Jorrocks Plate and the main event, the Fanling Cup, with his Widnes and, furthermore, he came into double prominence by being the jockey on the winners. I am sure many of us must have read something about "Who was John Jorrocks," but I assure readers that the jockey on Widnes in the Jorrocks Plate was not "a stiff, square-built, middle-sized man" for in the main event Mr. Barrow could draw 145 lbs. on Jack O'Lantern.

In the flat events Happy Valley jockeys could not hold their own against the country riders, for Mr. Poy was the only member to win on his own mount—Dick Turpin. Mr. T. W. Chatley had also a double win on Sea Urchin and Palmer; the latter pony just managed in the nick of time by a short head.

**TAIPO HANDICAP**  
A Popular Victory

EBONY Idol's victory in the Taipo Handicap (a "chase of 1 1/4 miles) was very popular owing to the great fight he put up over the last fence, and this was the first win for Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin after a sequence

Riding as hard as he could, and coupled with the full use of the whip, Mr. "Pliny" Botelho could not get his mount to be among the first three.

However, Amber II, with Mr. S. L. Yuen in the saddle, was unlucky to get under the winner (Dick Turpin) by half length, for the combination did not get a clear passage after com-

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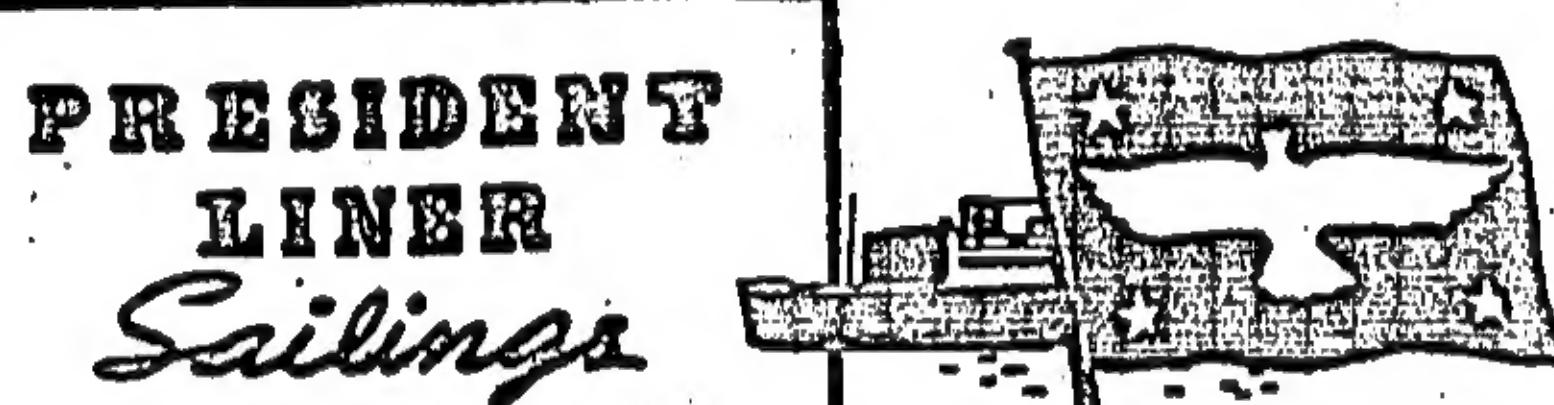
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of Jigs; Intro: Rejoice of Union;  
The Golbury Farmer; The Wedding;  
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Green Castle; The Derry; The Liver-  
pool... Sean Nolan's Dublin Orchestra;  
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and Orchestra; Fox-Trot—Thankful;  
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and His Orchestra; Vocal—So  
Green (film 'That's a good girl'); Ool  
La! La! (film 'That's a good girl');  
Jack Buchanan with Orchestra;  
Blues—Bye-Bye Blues; One-Step—  
California... Phil Green and His  
Orchestra; Comedian—I'm The Only  
Bit of Comfort That She's Got...  
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Trot—Take My Heart... Dick McDonough  
and His Orchestra; Comedian—She Said She Wouldn't (Miller);  
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Passed as Wardens—Liu Pak-kwan, Leung Sik-hung, C. W. Brand, Leung Tak-wai, Chung Yuk-pui, Lam So-man, Ku Tok-yum, Jackie Hau, C. W. Brown, Sham Tak-yung, E. F. Lam, Lai Shiu-han, Chan Chu-wai, C. L. Gan, Luk Yee-hing, Cheung Kai-wah, Icyway Chan, Sung Ka-yul, E. Greenwood.

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By MAJOR C. C. TURNER

Causes of the "bottle neck" in the training of the R.A.F. Volunteer Reserve, and of the payment of a large number of members who are waiting to be posted, were explained at the Air Ministry.

It is hoped that all men on the waiting list will be absorbed by the end of the year.

The subject was dealt with in The Telegraph recently and—the facts, as then stated, are officially admitted—and a large number of letters have been received from members of the Volunteer Reserve, parents, employers and flying instructors.

25 YEARS AGO Dec. 29, 1914.

The naval and military authorities call the attention of persons using the streets to the danger of fragments of shells and bullets from the guns used against hoteliers, officers attempting a raid on London. Civilians are warned to keep clear, particularly in the business of houses, on hearing the sound of firing.

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10 YEARS AGO Dec. 29, 1929.

The Woodrow Wilson Foundation have unanimously decided that the 1929 award of \$325,000 shall go to the Trustees of the League of Nations in recognition of a decade of service in the interests of World peace.

5 YEARS AGO Dec. 29, 1934.

Max Baer, who can hit hard enough to knock Primo Carnera silly, but who often needs to smile to set American girls' hearts a-flutter, is going to risk his life—and his face. To-night, he will stake his world's championship when he meets King Levinsky.

Meanwhile, a fourth cadet wing is nearly ready, and a fifth is on the way.

Yet another plan, soon to be put into execution, is that of extending the course of four weeks now undergone at the cadet wings, so that the instruction given may be more complete.

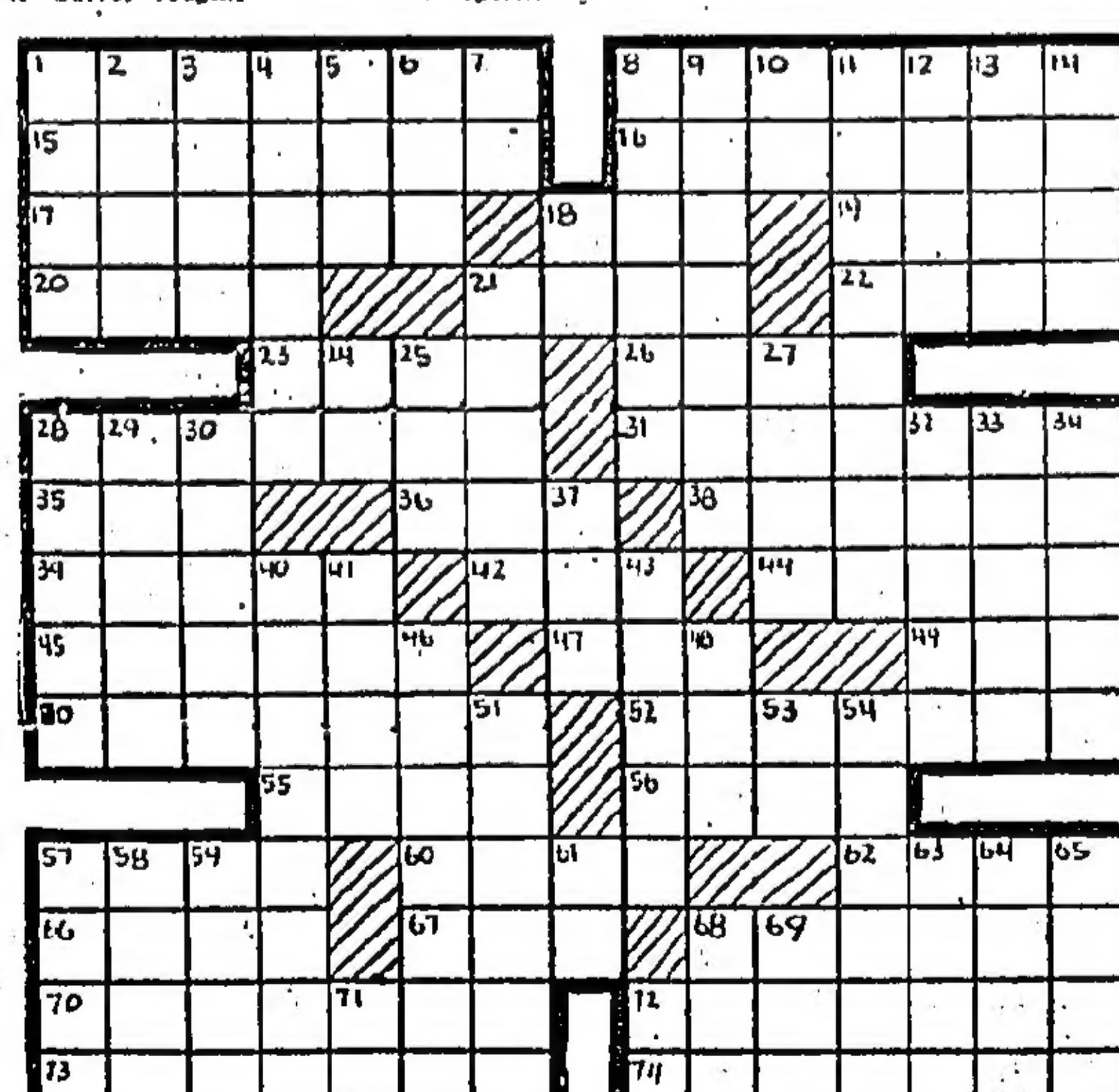
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## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

1	Native of Garris
2	Exponent of military service
3	Gad about in slatternly manner (col.)
4	Virgin Mary
5	Captured again (col.)
6	Western State (abbr.)
7	Long time
8	Worn out
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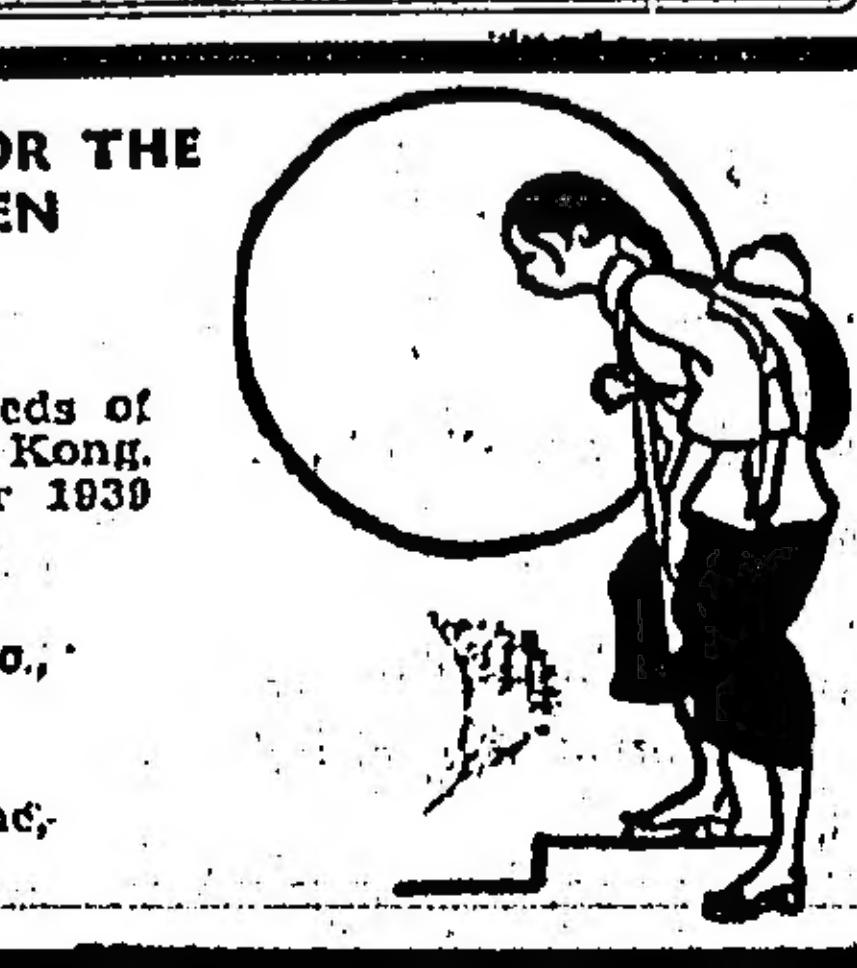
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## Warm Handshake

IF you're wanting a pair of gloves that are both gay-looking and warm you might try knitting these. The models were worked in a pale jade green with "seam" effects in white.

### Right Glove

Cast on 49 sts. with main wool and work thus:

1st row: (K.1, p.1) 4 times, k.1,

then with a small ball of white, k.2,

(k.1, p.1) 3 times, k.1, then k.2, white

(k.1, p.1) 5 times, then k.2, white

(k.1, p.1) 8 times, k.1,

Rib 17, then p.2, white, k.7, p.2, white,

rib 10, p.2, white, k.7, p.2, white,

rib 9.

Continue to rep. these 2 rows,

working the white stripes with

separate balls of wool, and always

twisting the wool at back of work

when changing colours, until cuff

measures 3 1/4 inches from start.

Now change to g. st. (every row

k.1), but still work the white sts. in

stocking st. as before. Work 4 rows

then begin shaping for thumb, thus:

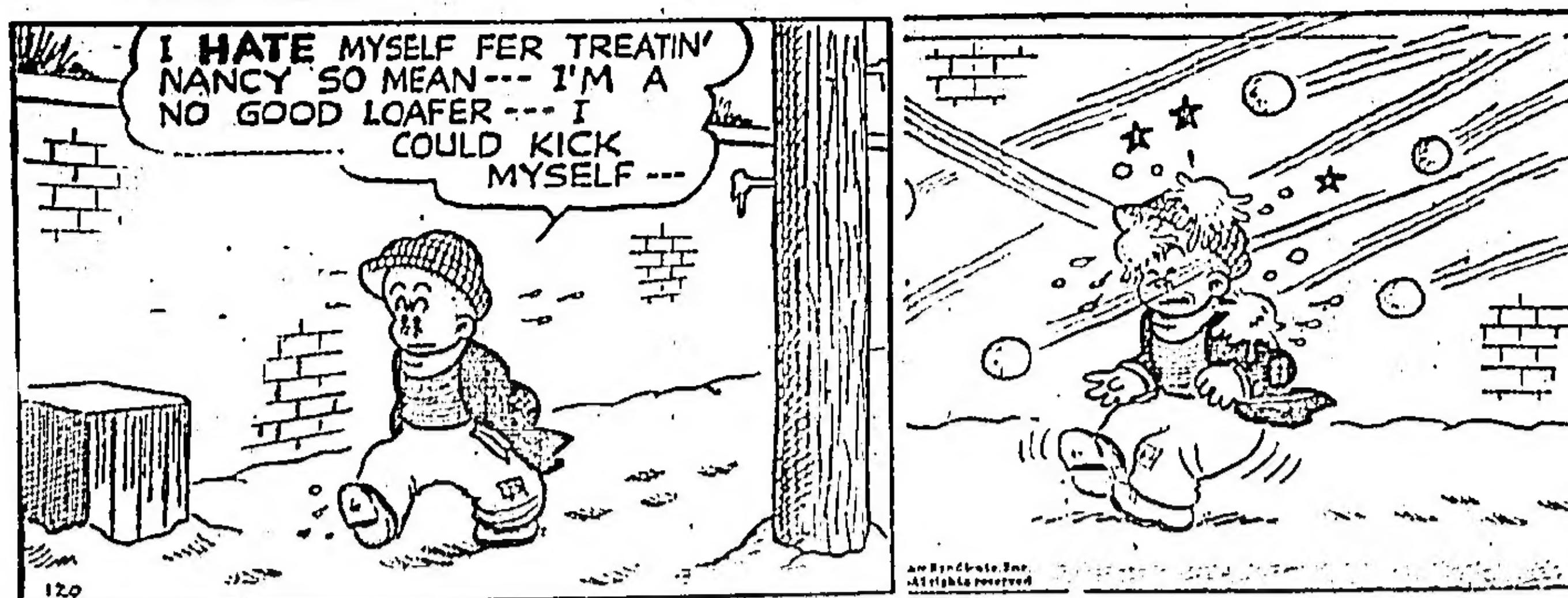
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## NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

## German Machines To Fight Hitler

I HAVE just seen some of Britain's devices which will take the "blitz" out of Hitler's blitzkrieg, should he attempt to launch it against this country.

They were being made in a factory whose peace-time products gave delight to the ear and eye.

MARRIED  
Third Time  
TO HIS  
First Wife

MR. ARCHIBALD FORRESTDALE DOWIE, fifty-eight, a stockbroker, was married for the third time at Caxton Hall Register Office last month—to his first wife, now aged fifty-seven.

Their first marriage was dissolved and each married again.

Mr. Dowie became a widower, and his first wife's second marriage was dissolved.

## R.A.F. MAY GET £1,000 FOR U-BOAT

Royal Air Force and Fleet Air Arm crews engaged in the anti-submarine campaign may receive a special bounty of £1,000 for every U-boat they sink.

The Government are considering the scheme following suggestions by air-men that they should receive similar treatment to naval officers who on sinking German submarines, receive a prize award fixed by the Naval Prize Court.

That aeroplane is going to be in trouble when it comes within detection range of this almost human robot.

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The four-eyed monster has been given eyes, also, which will see that enemy aircraft at night, for attached to it is a searchlight of 10,000,000 candle power.

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shoots out its dazzling beam to the exact spot in the skies where the ears have heard the sound.

The aeroplane is trapped. The eyes and ears have given the anti-aircraft gunners their target.

## LETTERS

## Hongkong Working Artists' Guild Appeal

To the Editor,

The Hongkong Working Artists' Guild finds itself in urgent need of funds at the moment, when the work of over 1,000 people is bearing good fruit. I am making this, our first public appeal for financial aid, at the suggestion of Sir Robert Kotewall. Two and a half years ago Sir Andrew Caldecott, who had taken great interest in the Guild, and especially in relations between Eastern and Western Art, expressed the hope in his farewell address to the Colony that the Guild should not be allowed to die for want of support. At that time the lean hot months were beginning when there were but few to use the co-operative studio, then in its second year; and a veritable exodus of workers and supporters was taking place. Sir Robert kindly sponsored contributions from a group of twenty-seven of whom were members of the Legislative Council, and enabled us to go on. But for this timely aid we should certainly have perished, as the Sino-Japanese war broke out, and revolutionised the prospects and character of the Guild. Whereas originally we had a co-operative studio, known to the public, and to market, the work of individual artists, our exhibitions took on the character of charities, being largely or in part in aid of Red Cross or other help for war-victims, or to assist artists who were then working in numbers in China. We raised thus many hundreds of dollars, so that had we been working for ourselves even with the modest ten per cent charged on sales effected through the Guild and contributions from those using the studio, we would have kept the studio open, enabled us to continue our scope, instead of which we had to draw on our central fund month by month for deficit in working expenses.

Through the whole of 1938 we gave studio hospitality to many refugee artists and even schools, and used work of visiting and resident artists, showing models and so on continued to grow somewhat fully. In the Autumn we formed the natural collecting centre for the collection of Representative Contemporary Art in China which Jack Chen wished to make an International Exhibition for the benefit of Chinese Army Medical Relief he had brought from Europe and U.S.A. In the interior he could only collect war work which, though most striking and moving, by no means showed the real devotion of the Chinese. As far as the Orient we were able to gather paintings from a number of artists representative of all China. No public display of this collection was possible owing to the fall of Canton. It has toured Europe, being shown in Paris and other places, and has received a good deal of attention and has had much success as could be expected when tracked by the menace of war. In October it found refuge in Amsterdam, whence it was to be transferred to London. Insurance has had to be paid on some of these pictures now in the studio, where we hold valuable modern pictures and some genuine ancient ones deposited for assistance given. Such expenses can only be regarded as frozen assets at present. By and large we have about a quarter of the sum originally given turned up by the end of Europe, and in consequence of this and the position of the use of our studio detailed below we are for the moment almost at the end of our resources.

On our laying the position before Sir Robert Kotewall he intimated after consultation with other members that the Chinese and other donors were more than satisfied with the report of our work, and despite the heavy calls upon them at the present time, some were willing to contribute again to our funds; but they considered that the Guild call for much wider interest and support than the local Chinese for an small group of friends. If I would make a personal appeal I might be assured of immediate response from the group to head the list of contributions. A few months before the war in Europe began, Dr. Dumbrell, then the belief that many people in Hongkong would be glad to contribute two dollars or so a month to enable us to begin a definite school of Art, and backed her own suggestion by generously subscribing for one year on this scale. Dr. Dumbrell has since died, and the onset of war destroyed all such schemes, and threatened to extinguish our work. However though with many anxieties we still live, and our objectives and opportunities are multiplying. Accordingly the Guild is opening two funds, to which we confidently expect support:

(1) A Donation Fund, such as Sir Robert sponsored, before which does not commit the donor to any repetition of the gift.

(2) A Subscription Fund of small sums, from two dollars upwards, payable half yearly or quarterly or half yearly in advance.

A start with the New Year for these subscriptions would be very encouraging.

Such support would form a guarantee of the rent and running expenses of our co-operative studio, which is the most effective and the best way of which we regulate our charges according to the means of those who make use of it for work or teaching. The expenses cannot always be met out of member subscriptions.

The Guild is somewhat loosely organised. We have a bank account with Mr. Cyril Chapman as Treasurer, and Mr. E. A. Conner as Hon. Secretary. Subscriptions should be sent to the latter at 18 Block A, Kennedy Road. Cheques should be made out to the Hongkong Working Artists' Guild. The amount will be acknowledged in the Press. We have a small executive which changes for the various needs of our work—shows, special jobs, classes, and so on. Miss Chan, as Vice-President, undertakes everything requiring knowledge of Chinese and Chinese culture, and myself as Art President.

As all management is unpaid, all money goes direct to the work of the Guild. A few items regarding our activities will fully substantiate our claim to be a useful factor in keeping Hongkong on the map as a centre of Art fellowship. The first year we have had a number of several world-famous guests here—owing to expulsion from Europe—nitherto unknown in the Far East—through exhibitions and sales of their works which have aroused interest in the more modern developments of Chinese Art. In addition two noteworthy Chinese artists of genius recently died, both by exhibition here and by sending a selection of their work to Europe and U.S.A. via Mr. Jack Chen.

In the studio we held a second series of lessons by a well-known teacher in Chinese Art for European students.

We cannot at the moment expect an increase in our activities, but the

foundation of an International School of Art, a permanent Art Gal

ery, and one for current exhibi

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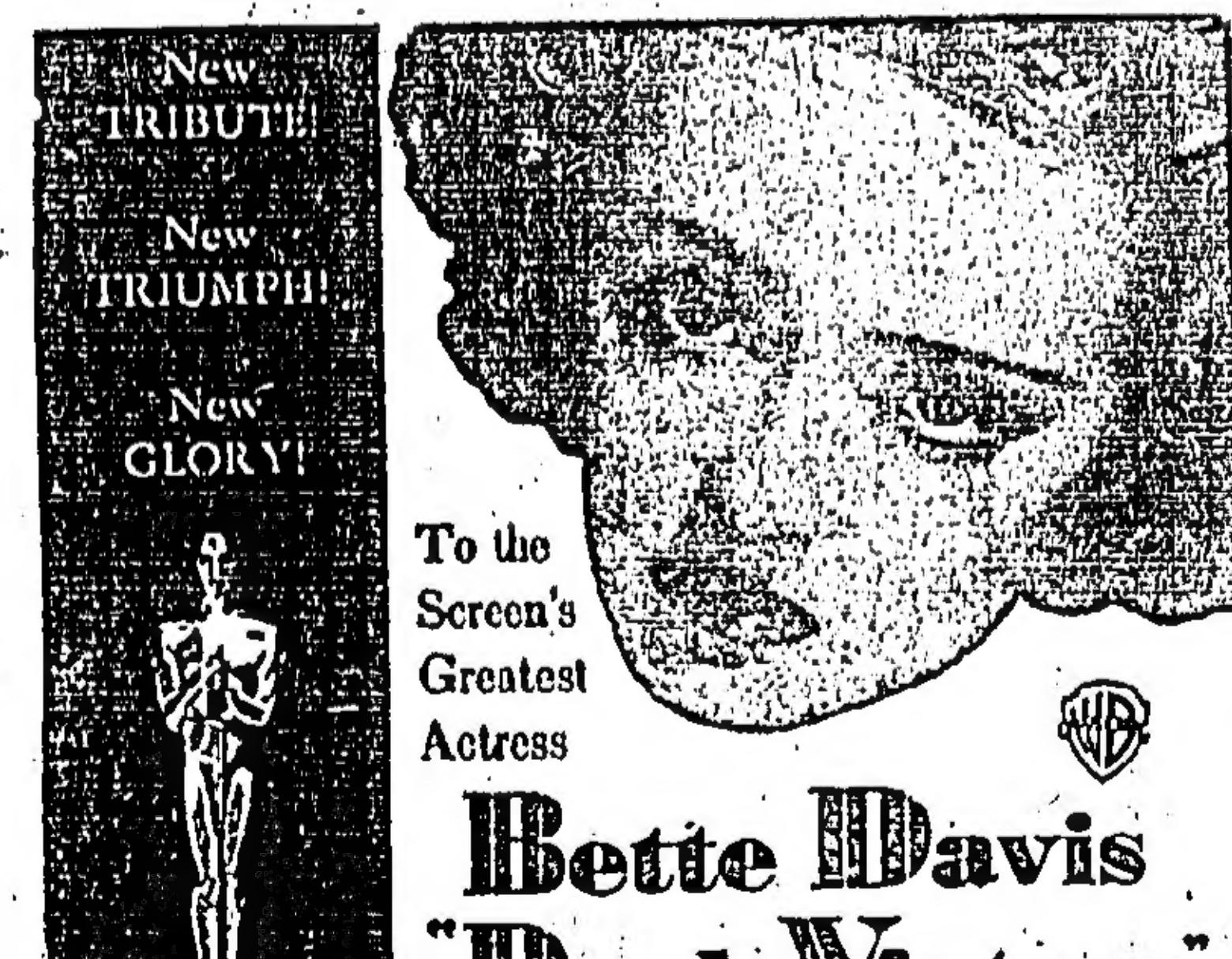
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Just as they did last time, his men and women will journey from capital to capital.

Sometimes they will carry samples of silk to be matched in Paris; sometimes they will take school-girls to destinations in Switzerland; sometimes shoes and perfume for Bond-street shop, or even, occasionally, a note from a French politician to a British Cabinet Minister.

Doubtless, too, the couriers will be assailed by as many spies as they were in the last war, and may succeed in handing over a few more to the authorities.

The architect, Mr. A. B. Houchin, started his Franco-British courier service because he happened to have an office in Paris in 1914, and architecture did not seem to have much of an immediate future.

He found dozens of old men and women, girls and children stranded in Paris, too frightened to travel home alone.

So he grouped them into parties, and brought them back to London himself.

## Beset By Spies

Then he engaged several professional men and women—lawyers, ex-soldiers, journalists, printer—and sent them off on a regular courier service across Europe.

By the end of the war there were 19 of them.

"We did every sort of job," he said, "from bringing over a few luxury articles for big firms to carrying letters for Cabinet Ministers and ambassadors of Government."

"The jobs were on to us when we started to carry official documents. Men and women would try to get into conversation with the couriers on trains and boats.

"The couriers always reported to me, and I went straight round to Basil Thomson, head of the British Intelligence.

## Disguised

"Very rarely could I tell him anything he did not already know."

"Our most sensational spy was a woman whom one of our couriers, an ex-Guardsman, noticed frequently on the cross-Channel boats.

"He was puzzled because she came aboard in heavy boots, and immediately changed into light shoes. We told Basil Thomson about her. He made curiously little comment.

"Some time later he said to me, one day: 'You remember that woman in the boots on the cross-Channel boat? He's dead.'

"The woman was a man in disguise."

## Rescue Job

The most romantic job on which Mr. Houchin's organisation ever embarked was that of trying to rescue an Englishman from the infirmary in German-occupied Paris, where he had lain sick at the outbreak of war.

"It was to have been a regular Scarlet Pimpernel affair," Mr. Houchin said.

"Some of our men were going to cross the front lines at night. But the sick man died before we could start."

"Through the agency of a Dutch business man, however, I did get him back to this country, the abandoned baggage of English and American tourists, which the Germans had taken high in Cologne Cathedral."

Already Mr. Houchin has seven men, mostly ex-sailors, and a few women for his new courier service. Their journeys are being mapped out through Europe. This time many of the journeys will be by air.

RANGOON'S FUND  
FOR POLES

RANGOON, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—The Governor of Burma is patron of the Polish Relief Fund which has been opened in Rangoon.

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### BLOCKADE IS MAKING THE NAZIS SQUEAL

STOCKHOLM, DEC. 28 (REUTER).—THE BELIEF EXISTS IN BERLIN THAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE ARE NOW ENDEAVOURING TO FORCE SWEDEN AND TURKEY TO ABANDON THEIR NEUTRALITY, ACCORDING TO THE BERLIN CORRESPONDENT OF THE "DACBLADET."

The Germans think that the violent anti-Soviet campaign may induce Turkey to enter the war on the side of the Allies, while the question of assistance to Finland is intended to serve the same purpose in the case of Sweden.

### EXETER'S CASUALTY LISTS

Lt. Cdr. Bowman-  
Manifold Among Killed  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

IN response to many requests from naval men in Hongkong, the "Telegraph" has obtained by cable from the London office of "United Press" the full list of casualties aboard H.M.S. Exeter, resulting from the ship's historic engagement with the Admiral Graf Spee.

The Exeter, for some time, took on the erstwhile Nazi "pocket battleship" singlehanded, and although terribly pounded, hit back so effectively that with the subsequent assistance of H.M.S. Achilles and H.M.S. Ajax, was able to force the German warship into a neutral port, seriously damaged.

Here is the full list of the Exeter's casualties:

#### OFFICERS

Killed

Lieut.-Commander John Bowman-  
Manifold.

Midshipman John S. Rickford.

Paymaster Sub-Lieut. Donald H. Tyler.

Captain Humphrey R. D. Woods, Royal Marines.

Missing, Believed Killed

Acting Sub-Lieut. Clyde A. L. Morse.

#### Wounded

Probationary Temporary Paymaster Sub-Lieut. Jack E. Causton.

Acting Gunner Thomas J. Lynn.

Paymaster Midshipman Leslie D. E. Nedham Penn-Gaskell.

#### RATINGS

Killed

E.R.A. (4th Class) F. E. E. Back.

A.B., F. Bethell.

A.B., J. Bethell.

Marine B. Blundford.

Ordinary Seaman R. M. Bowes.

Stoker Petty Officer D. Bright.

Stoker (1st class) S. M. Burns.

Stoker (1st class) F. P. Campbell.

A.B., R.M.R. Chirkson.

Marine A. J. Croker.

A.B., G. L. Davies.

Acting Petty Officer G. H. Dove.

Shipwright (3rd class) F. W. G. Dyer.

A.B., F. T. French.

A.B., S. C. Gibson.

Marine S. P. Harrington.

Pay Officer Telegraphist H. Harris.

Chief Yeoman Signals A. H. Higgins.

Boy Bugler R. B. Hill.

Landing Signalman L. F. Honey.

Stoker Petty Officer A. S. Jones.

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### HEROES OF GRAF SPEE BATTLE PROMOTED

LONDON, Dec. 28 (Reuters).—Admiralty communiqué No. 1927 announces recognition of the services in action against the Admiral Graf Spee in the following promotions, to date from December 13:

Commander D. H. Everett, H.M.S. Ajax, to Captain;

Lt. Commander R. B. Jennings and Lt. Commander C. J. Smith, H.M.S. Exeter, and Lt. Commander P. T. A. Love, H.M.S. Achilles, to Commanders.

"British Wireless" adds that Engineer-Commander L. C. S. Noake, of H.M.S. Ajax, has been promoted to Engineer-Captain.

### EX-GERMAN PILOTS JOIN THE ALLIES

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 28 (Reuters).—Three airmen, crack German pilots of the last war, have joined the Active Citizens Unit of the South African Air Force.

Their names are not being made public because they still have relatives in Germany, but one of them is one of the most famous war pilots Germany ever had.

### BOY SAVES SIX MEN

New Epic Of The Sea  
Revealed

LONDON, Dec. 28 (Reuters).—Six survivors of the torpedoed British ship, Arlington Court, were saved through the skill of an 18-year-old boy, it was learned in London to-day.

#### At Tiller For 6 Days

He and six others got into a water-logged lifeboat and he was the only one who knew how to navigate her.

He kept at the boat's tiller for six days, steering her by means of a small compass until he brought them into a busy shipping lane, where they were picked up by a passing ship.

### NAZIS IN AMERICA

One Flees Country;  
Another In Jail

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28 (UPI).—A report from the Dies Committee charged that Doctor Colm Ross, Nazi propagandist, recently joined the United States in a special motor car equipped with movie cameras, with which he attempted to photograph "specialized industrial plants."

The report charges that such a practice apparently comes within the category of espionage and recommends his permanent expulsion from the United States.

Both the "Daily Telegraph" and

"Times" deal with Finland's need

for help. The "Times" says that

Sweden and Norway have done a

great deal and are prepared to do

more. The United States has helped

generously and Britain and France

have gone so far as to release

munitions and supplies manufactured

for their own needs, while South

Africa had similarly released aero-

planes originally intended for the

defence of the Union.

The charge resulted in his imme-

diate arrest.

Wheeler-Hill pleaded not guilty to

the charges and is now on \$3,000

bail, pending trial on January 20.

### 15 MILLION HAVE DIED

IN THE LAST four centuries, 15,000,000 people have perished in earthquakes.

Wednesday's disaster in Asia Minor is the worst recorded since the Tokyo earthquake on September 1, 1923, when 156,000 died.

The two greatest earthquakes recorded in history have occurred in Kansu province in China in the present century. In 1920 more than 350,000 people were wiped out while, on May 23, 1927, the province suffered another toll of over 100,000.

Other big earthquakes this century have been:

	KILLED
May 6, 1880 Martinique	30,000
December 28, 1908 Messina	77,283
January 13, 1915 Abruzzi (Italy)	24,000
September 1, 1923 Tokyo	156,000
July 23, 1930 Naples	1,475
April 28, 1935 Japan	2,000
May 31, 1935 Formosa	3,185
Quetta	38,000

### World Again Rocked By Subterranean Collapses

## 40,000 DEAD IN TURKISH EARTHQUAKE DISASTER

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

AN UNPARALLELED SERIES OF EARTHQUAKES IN WIDELY SEPARATED PARTS OF THE WORLD INDICATES THAT THE SUBTERRANEAN "AREA OF WEAKNESS" BELOW THE EARTH'S CRUST IS COLLAPSING TO AN UNPRECEDENTED DEGREE.

Further earthquakes are reported to-day from the Rand in South Africa, from the Bolsena mountains in Italy, from Salinas, Monterey and the Pacific grove in California and from Santa Cruz in South America.

Earthquakes have already occurred during the past week in South America, California, the Banda Sea—the latter was one of the heaviest shocks recorded for many years but was attended by no loss of life because it occurred in an uninhabited area—from Tangiers, and from Soviet Russia.

### 80 CITIES RAZED

In Asia Minor, where eighty cities and villages have been razed to the ground, the death roll has now risen to the highest number recorded since the Tokyo disaster in 1923.

An area of a quarter of a million square miles of Asia Minor has become the tomb of 40,000 people.

The city of Erzincan, with a population of 100,000, has been partly sealed by the military authorities.

Thousands of survivors were thrown into uncontrollable panic yesterday when further shocks were recorded.

Dead bodies are littering the streets and the ravaged towns, and homeless refugees are despairingly seeking shelter from the intense cold and driving snow which have followed in the wake of the earthquake.

Snow in this area is unprecedented. All communications have been disrupted and authentic compilation of casualties is impossible.

In addition to the 40,000 believed dead, scores of thousands are injured or homeless.

Fragmentary reports disclose that the earthquake is undoubtedly the most disastrous in Turkish history.

Freakish Weather

Freakish weather includes cloud-bursts which are flooding the—  
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### TRIBUTES TO FINNS

#### British Press Is Unanimous

LONDON, Dec. 28 (Reuters).

Most British newspapers today had leading articles on Finland's successful defence against the Soviets.

The Russians are attacking to the north of Suomussalmi with the evident object of making another attempt to break through the "wasp waist" to Oulu at the head of the Gulf of Finland.

Soviet troops dispersed at Suomussalmi have been re-concentrated against the Finnish centre for a new drive.

#### Railway Threatened

HELSINKI, Dec. 28 (Reuters).—Two detachments of Finnish ski troops are now in Soviet Russia and are heading for the Murmansk-Leningrad Railway with the object of cutting it.

In view of their small numbers,

PLEASE TURN TO PAGE 2.

### MINE DISASTER RUMOUR DENIED

SENSATIONAL RUMOURS WERE CURRENT IN HONGKONG THIS MORNING THAT THE 1,665-TON STEAMER MACAU, OF THE TAI SONG SHIP COMPANY'S FLEET, HAD STRUCK A MINE OFF CHEUNG CHAU ISLAND, IN HONGKONG TERRITORIAL WATERS.

The rumour is denied by the Tai Sang S. C. Company, and neither naval nor police circuits have any information.

The Macau left Hongkong for Macau at 6 o'clock this morning with a large passenger list.

She is a twin-screw steamer engaged in regular ferry service between Hongkong and Macau. She was formerly on the Canton-Taku-Ball

route. In 1932, the Macau was formerly the s.s. Paul Beau. She is registered in Hongkong.

### AID FROM ITALIANS</h





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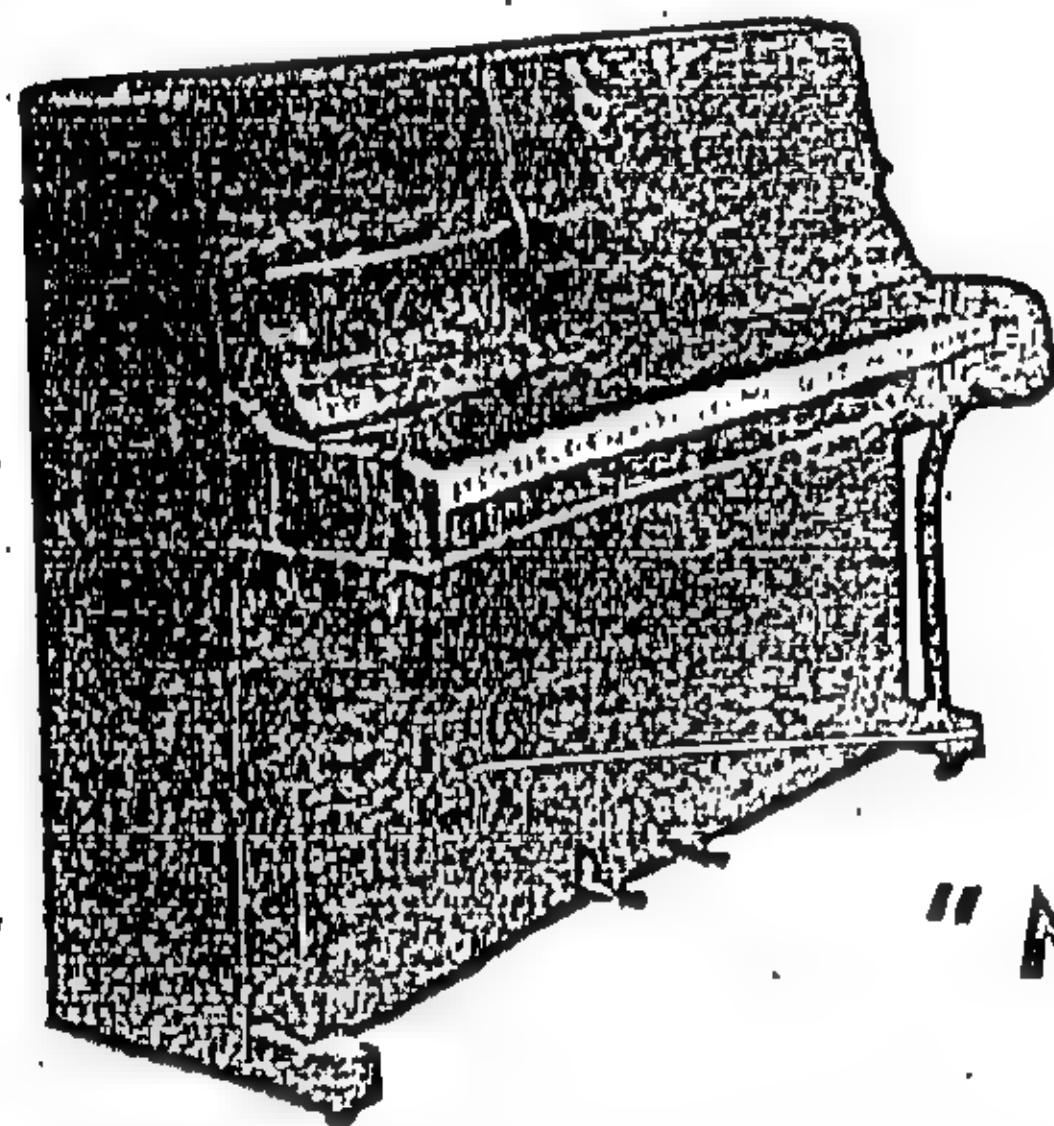
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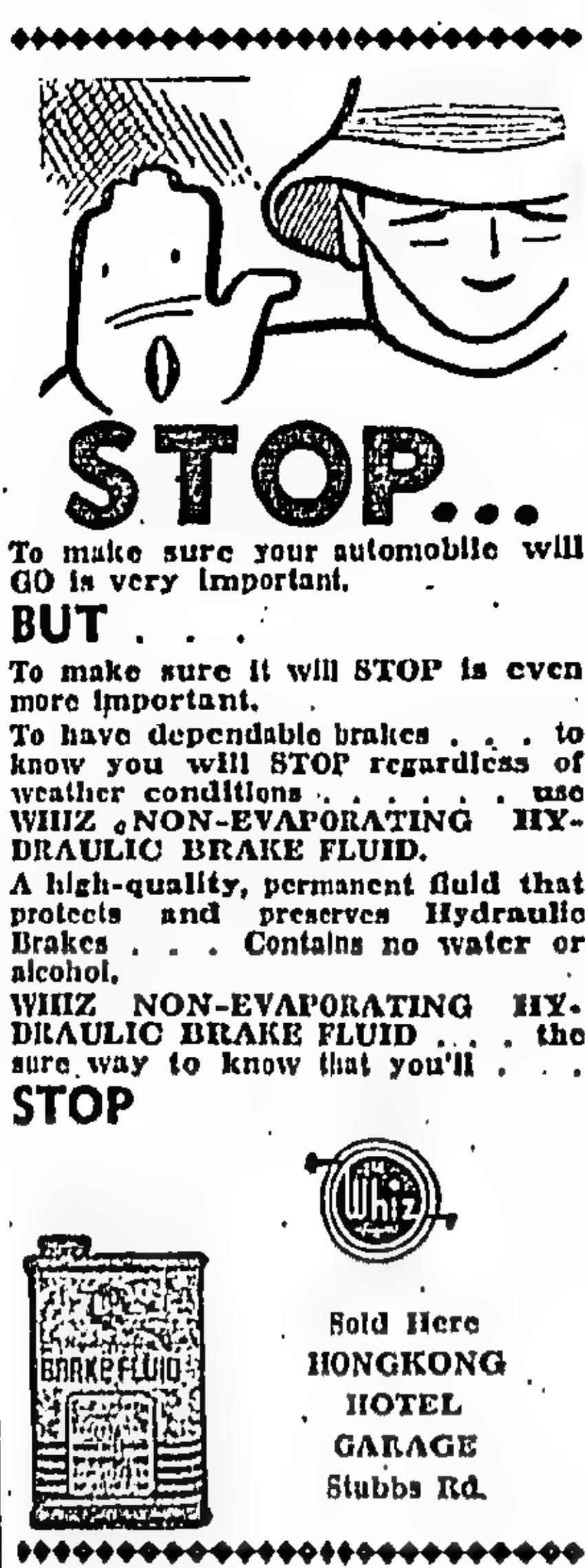
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#### The Military Moustache

IT seems that, as a result of their being called up for service in the army, the youth of Britain are showing an increased tendency to cultivate the moustache. Not one of a very luxuriant variety; for, although the military authorities are not inclined to split hairs at this point, anything in the nature of a "walrus" or a "sea-monster" might be frowned on. It is the dapper "tooth-brush" that is the hair-apparant of those mighty beards that once waved at Balaklava and Lucknow—in the days before the gas-mask had come and left the unshaven chin bristling with difficulties.

Perhaps there is some significance to be seen in this evolution of the military countenance. For the fierce aspect of the "old moustache," and the rude, uncouth appearance bestowed by a shaggy mane, were once held, no doubt, to be symbols of the soldier's nature; but it is plain that little of this earlier concept of him lingers, if one may judge from the lip-service it receives.

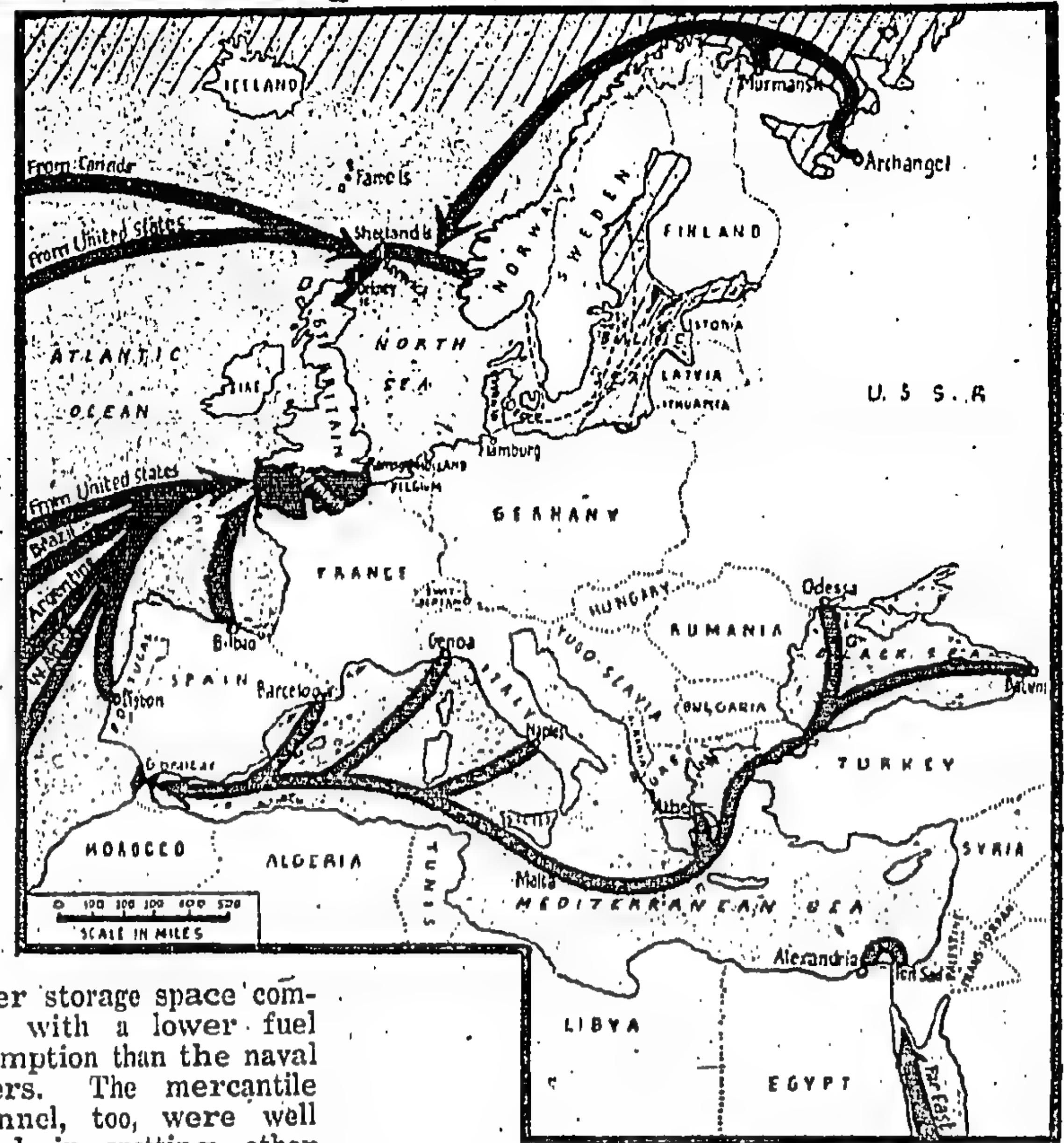
#### Eros—Evacuee

One of London's most famous figures recently appeared on the list of "evacuees," when the statue of Eros was removed from Piccadilly Circus. It was a very high compliment; for although His Majesty's Office of Works has sent James II into exile, taken away from the House of Commons a bust of Cromwell, and erected a scaffold for Charles I in Whitehall, this time to protect him, it has left the rest of London's statues to stand their ground unsheltered.

The average Londoner takes little exception to this since he has always had a feeling that "they'd none of them be missed." But this does not apply to Eros. Eros made a pleasant contrast to those eminent gentlemen who "sleep in dull, cold marble" all over London's squares, but who, wrapped in their frock coats, or frogged tunics, are, in the Londoner's view, so far from being sleeping beauties.

The city evidently recognised the fact: it would much rather have seen the captains and the kings depart, not to mention the politicians, and it paid Eros a tribute that it seldom pays to them—it looked at him. He conquered not only its attention, but its affection; and although when peace returns, the Stuarts may enjoy another Restoration, they will hardly receive such an ovation as will conquering Eros.

## BLOCKADE NEWS REEL



A GLANCE at the map will show you why Napoleon, more than a century ago, cursed the geographical situation of Great Britain, why Hitler curses that same inescapable fact to-day.

The heavy lines show the sea routes by which in peacetime industrialised, urbanised Germany receives her main imports of iron ore, wool, oil, cotton, wheat, coffee, fruit, butter, coal, timber, copper and tin from the U.S.A., Argentine, Brazil, India, China and Japan.

To reach Germany all the North and South Atlantic sea routes must converge into two main traffic lines, both dominated by the British Navy. The northern routes must pass somewhere between the 250-mile span between Northern Scotland and Southern Norway, the southern routes must pass up the English Channel, through the 20-mile Straits of Dover. Those 270 miles control 85 per cent. of Germany's oversea trade routes, and those 270 miles are controlled by Britain.

Further South, the great Mediterranean trade routes can also be controlled by the Allied navies from several bases. At Suez, Malta and Gibraltar vessels can be inspected for contraband.

#### HOW BLOCKADE WORKS

During the last war the blockade of Germany was maintained by the 10th Cruiser Squadron. At its maximum strength this included 20 armed merchant cruisers, comprising ships of the Allan, White Star, Orient, Anchor, P. & O., Union Castle, Royal Mail, Furness Withy, Elders & Fyffes and other lines.

These were commanded by naval officers, but otherwise the personnel was mainly R.N.R. (ex-mercantile). Experience during the first few months of the blockade proved these to be much better suited for such work than the old naval cruisers employed at the beginning. This procedure not only released naval men for strictly naval duties, but the merchant cruisers had

greater storage space combined with a lower fuel consumption than the naval cruisers. The mercantile personnel, too, were well trained in spotting other merchant vessels, and any odd features about those vessels.

These merchant cruisers were armed with 6in. and 3in. guns, and their fuelling capacity enabled them to stay at sea for periods varying up to 30 days. Vessels were divided into patrols which covered the whole area from Iceland to the Hebrides, and as ice prevents ships from passing north of Iceland for several months of the year it was only necessary to keep that section patrolled during the summer months. In the map above, the scored area represents the extent of the ice—during the winter months.

As a general rule ships were about 30 miles apart, since visibility for the lookout in the crow's nest was usually about 15 miles. Zig-zag courses were always steered to guard against submarine attack, and the general rate of steaming was 15 knots. In the centre of the line what was known as an "in and out" patrol" was maintained.

Ships would steam in line abreast (i.e. on parallel courses) along the tracks of

shipping for 30 or 40 miles. Immediately behind in one direction, and then it, and in the Fair Island for a similar distance in the channel, hundreds of destroyers, patrol vessels, trawlers and other small craft, fitted with anti-submarine devices, were constantly on patrol.

#### CONTRABAND CONTROL

In the English Channel the blockade was a comparatively simple procedure. To-day, control stations are established at Weymouth, Ramsgate and Lerwick (in the Shetland Islands). To these control stations all vessels suspected of carrying contraband to German ports are conducted for examination.

Throughout the period this patrol was in operation, only 4 per cent. of the merchant ships crossing the Atlantic managed to avoid the blockade. During the heaviest week recorded 156 ships were boarded and 58 sent into port for examination. Two armed raiders succeeded in getting through disguised as neutral merchantmen, but two were detected and sunk.

From May 1, 1918, the personnel of the Royal Navy blockade was maintained by and those who were attached to it during the Great War.

## The Allies Were Aryans Once

ONE of these days some one will ask Herren Goebels and Streicher who introduced the Aryan theory into Germany. Then there will be a rumpus.

The Aryan theory is the most remarkable—and, as it has turned out, dangerous—accident, for which we are not entirely blameless. The French invented it; we made it popular, and introduced it to Germany; and there it was firmly planted in patriotic minds by a Jewish philosopher.

That is awkward for the National Socialists, but quite, quite true.

It all began like this. Not so long ago we Europeans knew nothing about the languages of India, and when Sir William Jones, a celebrated philologist, went to that country on Government business he took the trouble to learn Sanscrit, which gave him the clue to the origin of a big group of European languages—English, German,

Icelandic and a host of others among them.

These languages are now called Indo-European or Indo-Germanic; but Sir William translated the Sanscrit term quite innocently by the word Aryan—and then the trouble began.

A number of ethnologists and self-styled anthropologists got

hold of these Sanscrit researches and jumped to the conclusion that if people speak similar languages you can say they belong to one race."

In 1855 Count Joseph de

Gobineau, an enthusiastic and

eccentric Frenchman, wrote a

book called "Essay on the In-

equality of the Human Races,"

which, as the title suggests,

tried to prove that one so-called

race—the Aryan race—was the

greatest in the world.

The book caused much discus-

sion in France and England. It

was very nice for every one to

think that he belonged to the

chosen race. The Prussian Mini-

ster in Britain, Baron Bunsen, took up the theory with enthusiasm and passed it on to his pupil, Max Muller, for many years a professor at Oxford. In

France the Aryan race was eventually identified by de Lapouge with the Nordic group (originating near the Baltic).

Max Muller plugged the

Aryan theory for forty years,

and then at length realised that

he had been barking up the

wrong tree. Just fifty years

ago he wrote: "I have declared

again and again that if I say

Aryans, I mean neither blood

nor bones, nor hair, nor skull;

I mean simply those who speak

an Aryan language."

And Yiddish has a good claim

to be considered an Aryan

language. That was why Moses

Mendelssohn, Jewish-German

philosopher, took up the Aryan

theory and introduced it to

German scholars.

By the time the German uni-

versities got hold of the mis-

taken theory the English had got over it and the French were laughing at de Gobineau and de Lapouge. Unfortunately, the German nationalist movement absorbed it with a vengeance.

Gustav Kossinna, Prussian nationalist, appointed himself Aryan historian of the German people and tried to prove that

"history was pre-eminently a German national science,"

though no one could imagine

why history should be a national science save Kossinna's fol-

lowers.

But due to the national

science appeared on the title-

page of the second edition of his

book. It was dated: "On the

day of general mobilisation,

1914."

And on the same day a group of young Prussians formed a corps with a new standard—the swastika.

## Singapore Chinese Leader Expelled

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
SINGAPORE, Dec. 28 (UP).—The Government has issued an expulsion order against a prominent Chinese resident, Mr. Hau Say-houn, a member of the China Relief Fund Committee which sends millions of dollars annually to China.

Mr. Hau is alleged to have encouraged unlawful societies under the cloak of genuinely patriotic activities.

In addition to being a member of the Fund Committee, he is a Director of a Singapore newspaper and the manager of an insurance company.

Sir Alexander Small, the Colonial Secretary, attended a meeting of the Fund Committee and stated that Mr. Hau personally encouraged the activities of unlawful societies—the Vanguard Corps and an Anti-Enemy Society—and was backing up a society which had committed many acts of violence and terrorism in the name of Chinese patriotism.

Sir Alexander said that these dangerous societies were closely connected, while the Anti-Enemy Society was the organ of the Malayan Communist Party, which in itself was a dangerous subversive organisation aiming at the overthrow of the government by open revolution.

### Danger To Peace

Sir Alexander referred to leaflets issued by the Anti-Enemy Society and drew attention to particularly inflammatory passages and drawings.

"While the government sympathises sincerely with the Chinese in China, these illegal organisations have become a danger to the peace and good order of the Colony," he said.

Mr. Hau is required to leave Malaya before December 31 and must not return.

## Flight Over Germany

### One British Plane Fails To Return

LONDON, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry announces that the R.A.F. carried out a successful reconnaissance flight over north-west Germany.

One plane did not return. Other air activity included an attack on German ships when, despite fierce A.A. fire, one bomb at least was seen to hit the stern of one vessel. In two cases elsewhere three Dornier flying boats were put to rout. There were no British casualties.

### German Claims

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
BERLIN, Dec. 28 (UP).—The official news agency reports that Lt. Col. Karl Schumacher, piloting a pursuit plane, shot down an R.A.F. bomber over the German coast to-day.

Schumacher commanded the squadron which the Germans claimed brought down 30 R.A.F. planes on December 18.

The news agency also reports that the German patrols increased their activity on the western front with "good results."

Another report said that, despite bad weather, the Germans made out reconnaissance flights over the English coast on Wednesday.

## EUROPEAN FOUND DEAD

**CALLED** in by the landlord of the second floor of No. 34, Austin Road, Kowloon, police this morning discovered the body of Stephen Michael Tracey, a 30-year-old clerk who is believed to have recently arrived in the Colony.

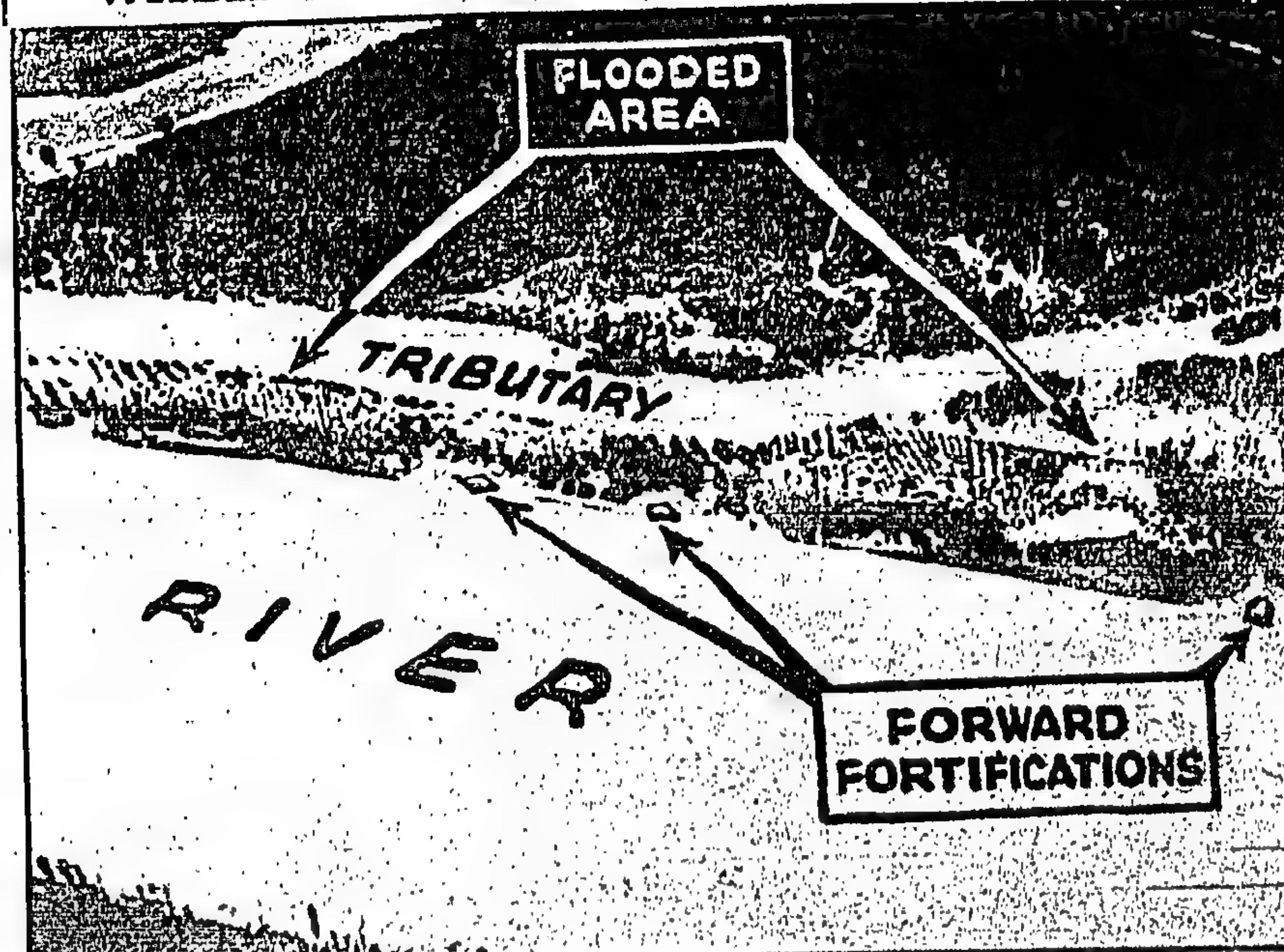
The discovery was made by Sergt. Matches, of Tsimshatsui Police Station. Tracey was lying across his bed.

The body was removed to the Kowloon Mortuary, where a post mortem was performed this morning.

The police, whose report states that suicide is suspected, refuse to reveal the result of the post mortem or any further details in connection with the death.

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## WASH-OUT ON THE SIEGFRIED LINE



This picture, received in Hongkong last night, is the first to reach the Colony of the flooded Siegfried Line. It was taken during one of the many reconnaissance flights made by Allied planes, and shows fortifications of the West Wall under water at a point near a river bank.

## HIGH COST OF TROOPS

### Belgium Finds It A Severe Burden

BRUSSELS, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—The expense of keeping troops mobilised was stressed by the Premier, M. Pierlot, speaking in the Senate to-day when he declared that the Government could not accept any amendments to the financial proposals already adopted by the Chamber which would have the effect of reducing revenue from the new taxes contained in them.

**Fears Belgium May Lose Out**

"I am very much afraid that the result of the interne struggle between her neighbours and Belgium is the loss of her capital even if she is not called upon to give her blood. There are some people who show indifference when they are faced with danger or who appear to ignore it completely.

"Keeping troops continually in a state of mobilisation is an expensive matter and the cost ought to be met by an internal loan, for money borrowed abroad would be too dear, especially in view of the present conditions."

"The sacrifices which every Belgian is called upon to make are enormous, but safety is what our country demands of them."

**Freighter Aground Off New York**

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
NEW YORK, Dec. 28 (UP).—The British freighter, City of Singapore sent a radio message at 10.20 p.m. to-day saying she was aground east of the Ambrose Lightship, about one mile inside the entrance to New York harbour.

**Vessel Refloated**

The City of Singapore has been refloated, says "Reuter".

She was apparently not seriously damaged.

## GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichtry



## DUBLIN TENSION

### Search For I.R.A. Saboteurs

DUBLIN, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—An armed military cordon still ringed the city to-night as Police and troops continued the search for the ammunition stolen from Phoenix Park on Saturday.

Twenty arrests have already been made.

The search goes on in the capital, in the woods and lanes of the counties of Kildare and Wicklow, fields and hedges of estates are thoroughly combed.

**City Completely Cordoned**

In Dublin, military patrols continued to search all cars entering and leaving the city, which is so completely cordoned that it is impossible to enter or leave without passing through at least one patrol.

All pedestrians carrying cases are stopped and searched, and in the country districts the quest is even more thorough, for everyone, whether walking or cycling, has to submit to an examination and explain where they have come from and where they are going.

**Government Reward Offer**

DUBLIN, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—The Government is offering a reward of £1,000 for information leading to the recovery of the stolen ammunition.

Substantial rewards will be paid in respect of any portion of the ammunition.

The number of arrests is now estimated at 30.

## TO DISCUSS WAR

LONDON, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—The South Rhodesian Minister of Justice and Defence is to visit London shortly by air for discussions on the war. The main subject of his discussions will be war finance, but it is expected that expansion of air training in Rhodesia, supply of Rhodesian products and the further use of Rhodesian fruits will also be on the agenda.

## WHERE IS GOERING?

### Nazi Chief Believed To Be In Disgrace

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—What has happened to Field Marshal Hermann Goering?" is a question people are asking in Germany, according to reports reaching here.

The Air Minister has been almost ostentatiously absent from all Christmas festivities.

It is recalled that when Hitler and General Walther von Brauchitsch visited the front, Hess and Goebels made speeches and all the other Nazi leaders made public appearances, but Goering stayed quietly at Schorfheide, his country home, and did not even appear at the Christmas party for poor children in Berlin.

**At Loggheads**

But gifts were distributed on his behalf by an obscure mayor of one of the districts of the capital.

Some people in Berlin suggest that Goering is deliberately keeping himself in the background until some definite issue emerges from the present argument about policy.

It is stated here that violent discussions are raging between the Party and the Army about the future conduct of the war, and Soviet relations.

These persons argue that Goering has decided to hold himself aloof until he sees his way more clearly.

**Quarrel With Hitler?**

Rival theorists declare that Goering has already quarrelled with Hitler and is temporarily in disgrace, and is accordingly remaining behind the scenes until the trouble has blown over.

Whatever the reason for the Field Marshal's failure to participate in the war time Christmas, it is considered very strange in Germany.

## White Hall Evacuation

### 15,000 Civil Servants Leave London

LONDON, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—The evacuation of civil servants from London will continue.

It is announced that the Government has reconsidered the matter and it now confirms its decision that all Government departments which can function away from London must leave.

One estimate says that 15,000 civil servants have already gone, 5,000 more are expected to go shortly and 80,000 are still in London.

Those who still remain are expected to protest at any extension of the evacuation scheme.

## American Admiral Dies In Brooklyn

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 28 (UP).—The Navy Department announces the death of Rear Admiral Julius C. Townsend, 60, at the Brooklyn Naval Hospital.

Admiral Townsend was Commandant of the Fourth Naval District Headquarters at Philadelphia at the time of his death.

## DANISH STEAMER SUNK BY MINE

LONDON, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—The Danish steamer, Hanne, 1,000 tons, was sunk by a mine off the north-west coast to-day.

## RATIONING AT HOME

### 12 Ounces Of Sugar Each Week

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
LONDON, Dec. 28 (UP).—Britain will start sugar rationing on January 8 according to an official announcement made to-day.

As from that date each person will be allowed 12 ounces sugar a week.

Meat is also to be rationed in the near future, although the amounts and the date from which the rationing will start, are yet to be revealed.

**Bacon And Butter Also**

LONDON, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—The official sugar rationing begins in Britain on January 8 together with bacon and butter.

The sugar ration will be 12 oz. per person per week.

All those in Britain must register for meat rationing by Monday week and the control of livestock begins a week later.

## H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

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pool....Phil Green and His  
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Bit Of Comfort That She's Got....  
Mrs Miller with Orchestra; Fox-  
Trot—Take My Heart....Dick Mc-  
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an—She Said She Wouldn't (Mil-  
ler)...Mrs Miller with Orchestra;  
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(film 'Transatlantic Rhythm')....  
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rous Monologue—Jonah and the  
Grampus (Edgar)...Stanley Holloway  
with Piano; Fox-Trot—Your  
Feet's Too Big....Nat Gonella and His  
Georgians.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather  
Report.

1.03 Terence Casey at the Organ.

1.17 New Light Symphony Or-  
chestra.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press,  
Weather Forecast and Announce-  
ments.

1.45 Tangos and Waltzes.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Rimsky-Korsakov—Le Coq  
D'Or-Suite, London Symphony Or-  
chestra.

6.27 Closing Local Stock Quota-  
tions.

6.30 Variety with the Eight Piano  
Ensemble and Val Rosing and Others.

7.00 London Relay—"Dai on Leave."  
A Jack Jones Welsh Programme.  
The Spirit of Christmas, Carols by  
the Welsh Singers.

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather  
Report and Announcements.

8.03 Dance Music.

8.20 Studio—Comments on Recent  
Events.

8.30 London Relay—"Laugh before  
Lunch." A Variety Programme.

9.15 London Relay—News Sum-  
mary.

9.30 London Relay—"World Af-  
fairs."

9.45 A Variety and Dance Pro-  
gramme.

Vocal—The Song Of The Kettle  
(Anthony); Cheery Souls (Burke),  
Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone) with  
Piano; Fox-Trot—Song Without  
Words; Thank You, Mister Bach.

The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra; Come-  
dienne—Florrie Forde Old Time Med-  
ley....Florrie Forde with Chorus  
and Orchestra; Fox-Trot—Thankful;

Swing That Music....Louis Armstrong  
and His Orchestra; Vocal—So  
Green (film 'That's a good girl'); Ol  
La! La! (film 'That's a good girl'),  
Jack Buchanan with Orchestra;

Blues—Bye-Bye Blues; One-Step—  
California; Phil Green and His  
Orchestra; Comedian—I'm The Only  
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**PLANS FOR R.A.F. VOLUNTEERS**  
**EMPLOYMENT BY END OF YEAR**

By MAJOR C. C. TURNER

Causes of the "bottle neck" in the training of the R.A.F. Volunteer Reserve, and of the payment of a large number of members who are waiting to be posted, were explained at the Air Ministry.

It is hoped that all men on the waiting list will be absorbed by the end of the year.

The subject was dealt with in The Daily Telegraph recently and—the facts, as then stated, are officially admitted—and a large number of letters have been received from members of the Volunteer Reserve, parents, employers and flying instructors.

I pointed out that hundreds of men had received no training in the 10 weeks since mobilisation, and indicated the difficulty of returning temporarily to civilian life an option given by the Ministry.

The outbreak of war found the R.A.F. Volunteer Reserve in a somewhat unorganized condition. Some units had town headquarters but no aerodromes; others had flying facilities but no town headquarters.

**"Cadet Wings" As Solution**

There were no means available for absorbing the immense number of members for service training.

The formation of "cadet wings" was at once undertaken and at the present time three of these are in existence. These are well housed.

The real "bottle neck" in training is at the advanced stage. This cannot be dealt with by the transference of material and personnel from elementary training schools, since these are suited to advanced training.

The Air Ministry claim that the most considerate course was adopted, that of granting full pay for the waiting period. Admittedly, it is costly, but not so costly as that of taking over more buildings.

Meanwhile, a fourth cadet wing is nearly ready, and a fifth is on the way.

Yet another plan, soon to be put into execution, is that of extending the course of four weeks now undergone at the cadet wings, so that the

**A Look Through The "Telegraph"**

**50 YEARS AGO**

Dec. 29, 1889.—The mad King of Bavaria smokes about a hundred cigarettes daily. That accounts for his madness.

The Prince of Wales, now that he may shortly become a grandfather, and that his son is now a boy, has given place to a kindly, well-tempered, less perfect saint. On his last visit to Homburg, he discouraged the foot-racing of maidens and matrons, and did not, as of yore, incite duels, millions and millions of dollars in wheelbarrows, his sole pleasure just now being decorative dinners and lengthy luncheons.

**25 YEARS AGO**

Dec. 29, 1914.—The naval and military authorities call the attention of persons using the streets to the danger of fragments of shells and bullets from the guns used in raid on London. Civilians are warned to keep cover, preferably in the basements of houses, on hearing the sound of firing.

At the Far-Eastern garrison in the territorial towns, who will be filled up with the troops for the Contingent battle fields. When the Territorials have been sufficiently trained they will take their place in the fighting line and in the advance of Berlin.

**10 YEARS AGO**

Dec. 29, 1929.—The Woodrow Wilson Foundation have unanimously decided that the 1929 award of \$25,000 shall go to the Trustees of the League of Nations in recognition of a decade of service in the interests of World peace.

**5 YEARS AGO**

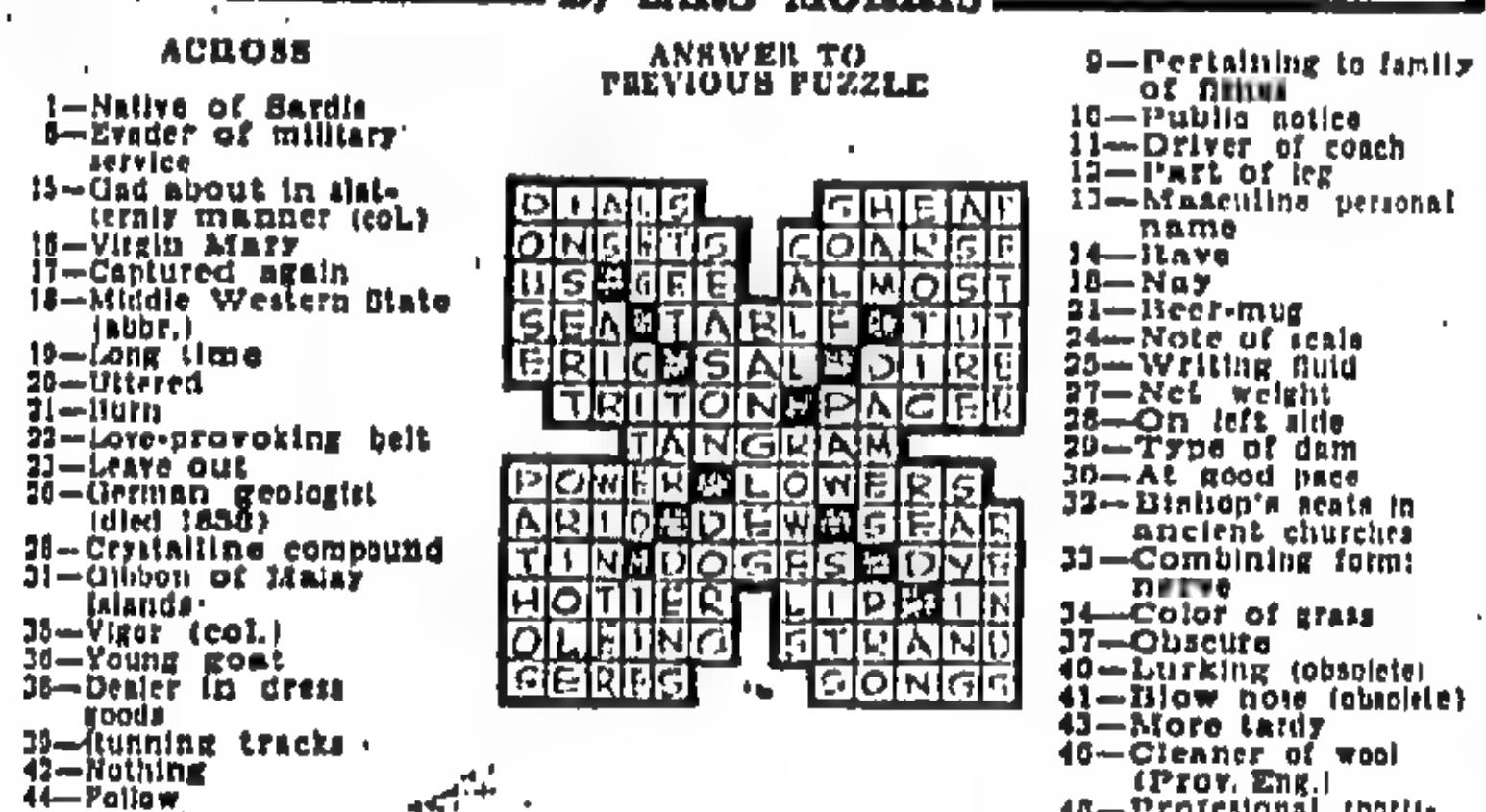
Dec. 29, 1934.—Max Baer, who can hit hard enough to knock Primo Carnera silly, but who only needs to set American feminines howling, is going to risk his title—and his life—tonight, when he meets Kine Levinsky.

Instruction given may be more complete.

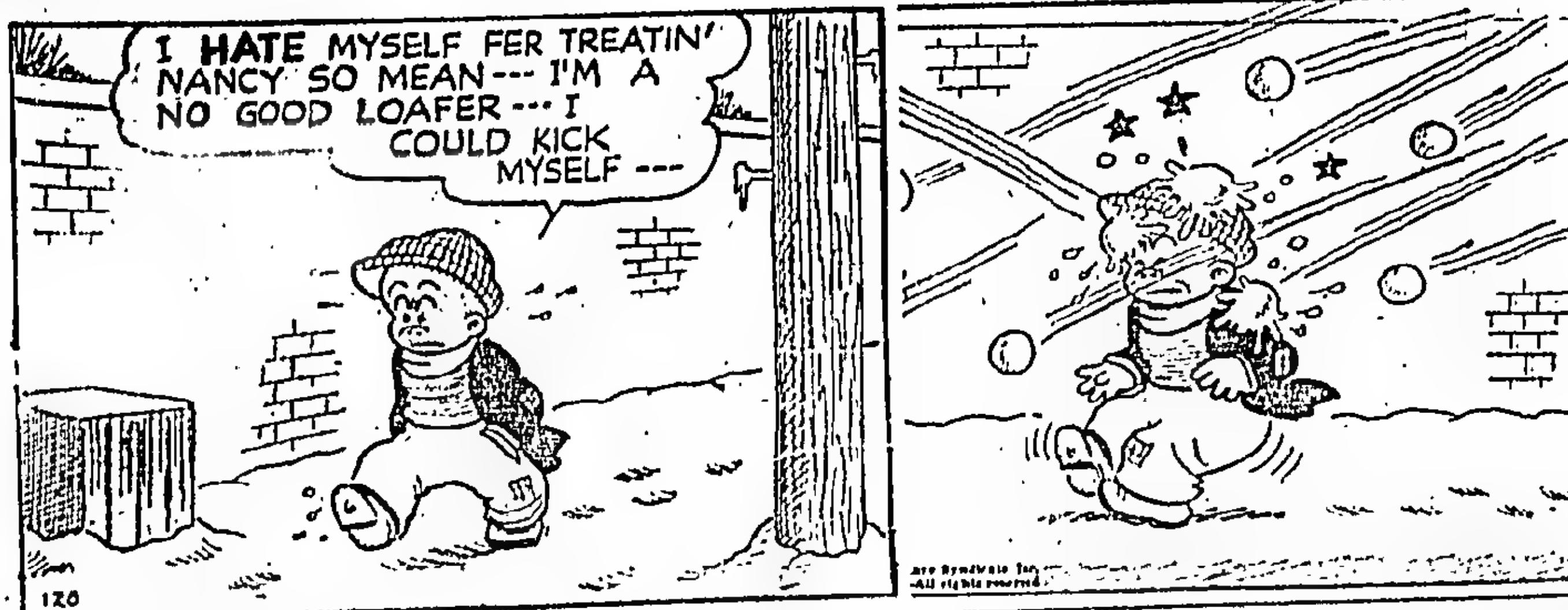
It is requested that any who experience difficulty or delay in regard to pay should write to the Air Ministry, Accountants' Branch, P.2, Astral House, Kingsway, W.C.2.

**Crossword Puzzle**

By LARS MORRIS



NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller



## German Machines To Fight Hitler

I HAVE just seen some of Britain's devices which will take the "blitz" out of Hitler's blitzkrieg, should he attempt to launch it against this country.

They were being made in a factory whose peace-time products gave delight to the ear and eye.

### MARRIED Third Time TO HIS First Wife

MR. ARCHIBALD FORRESTDALE DOWIE, fifty-eight, a stockbroker, was married for the third time at Caxton Hall Register Office last month—to his first wife, now aged fifty-seven.

Their first marriage was dissolved and each married again.

Mr. Dowie became a widower, and his first wife's second marriage was dissolved.

In preparing for the transformation before war broke out, the company did not hesitate to install some German machinery.

As a consequence, ponderous, complicated pieces of machinery labelled Berlin or Hamburg, are now being used to turn out weapons of war. Hitler is hoist with his own petard.

Among these weapons I saw fearsome monsters on wheels with huge mechanical ears which will pick up the whirr of an enemy plane miles away.

That aeroplane is going to be in trouble when it comes within detection range of this almost human robot.

Automatically the monster signals to the nearby anti-aircraft guns the aeroplane's precise position, and, in a matter of seconds, the shells will be bursting round the invader.

The four-eared monster has been shot out its dazzling beam to the exact spot in the skies where the ears have heard the sound.

The aeroplane is trapped. The eyes and ears have given the anti-aircraft gunners their target.

## R.A.F. MAY GET £1,000 FOR U-BOAT

Royal Air Force and Fleet Air Arm crews engaged in the anti-submarine campaign may receive a special bounty of £1,000 for every U-boat they sink.

The Government are considering the scheme following suggestions by air-men that they should receive similar treatment to naval officers who, on sinking German submarines, receive a prize award fixed by the Naval Prize Court.

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## LETTERS

### Hongkong Working Artists' Guild Appeal

To the Editor,

The Hongkong Working Artists' Guild finds itself in urgent need of funds at the moment when the work of over four years is bearing good fruit. I am making this, our final appeal for the public's help.

Mr. Cyril Chamberlain, Treasurer, Subscriptions should be sent to the latter at 16 Block A, Kennedy Road. Cheques should be made out to the Hongkong Working Artists' Guild. Contributions will be acknowledged in the Press. We have a small executive which looks after the various needs of the work—shows, special jobs, classes, and so on. Luis Chan, as Vice-President, undertakes everything requiring knowledge of Chinese and Chinese artists. I myself am styled President. All management is carried on more or less to the work of the Guild. A statement regarding our activities will fully substantiate our claim to be a useful factor in keeping Hongkong on the map as a centre of Art fellowship. During 1938 and 1939 we have had several well-known artists from Europe unknown in the Far East, through exhibitions and sales of their works which have aroused interest in the more modern developments of pictorial Art. We have recruited two new members, Chinese artists of genius, and have done both by exhibiting here and by sending a selection of their work to Europe and U.S.A. via Mr. Jack Chen.

At the studio we held a second series of lessons by a well-known teacher in Chinese Art for European students.

We cannot at the moment expect to be able to get endowment for the Foundation, a permanent Art Gallery, and one for current exhibitions, which are some of our larger projects. We are however glad to see that it is proposed to erect a temporary Town Hall, which we hope may help to solve some of our trouble about exhibitions.

Meanwhile we keep pressing away at the formation of a teaching Centre both for the Fine Arts and for Industrial and Commercial Art. In the summer, when we expect to be able to open a regular school towards the end of the year, we will recruit a large number of students from the foremost of the knowledge and practice of Western Art, whom nothing but exile would have brought to us; and whose teaching of basic drawing by a method entirely new to the Far East, as taught in Paris, is the most valuable feature of our work.

Students for every form of Art, Pupils

from the collection centre established by their rapid progress.

War has scattered the students and

teachers arranged for the winter session. In order to keep our students

employed with the difficult clientele the

Guild has, in fact, given free use of

all our resources—studio, accommodation

and attendance, publicity, exhibition, and so on; and for this we have

had to draw on our slender resources.

We have also experts to help us in

future organisation. In respect of

the Chinese Art we have among our mem-

bers at least one Russian Artist skilled

in stage setting and decoration, who

is prepared to assist production

artists. An important development of

Guild work is the production of

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and made by the students.

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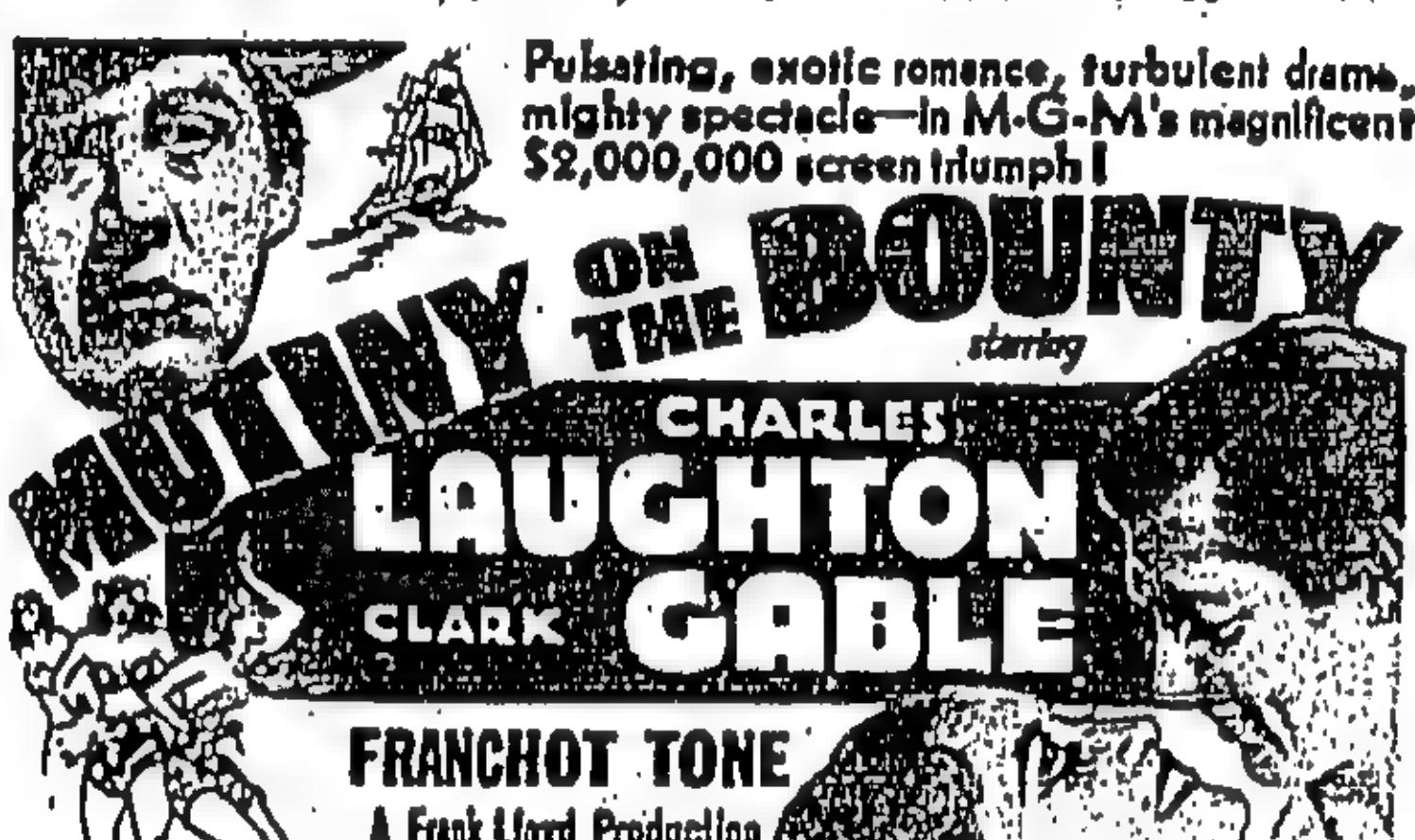
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BOSTON.—Jules Verne got streamlined at East Boston Airport when two dapper young Chinese students stepped off a plane just one week out of Hongkong, 9,000 miles away.

Landing almost in the shadow of the place where Donald McKay launched The Flying Cloud and other great sea clippers—boats that defied their fleetness measured time to the Orient in terms of months instead of weeks—Wong Shen Moy and Wong De Hung, hastening back to Boston classes, thought little more of their journey than a Wellesley girl would of returning by train to St. Louis.

The two men left Hongkong on a Pan American flying boat. The first day they flew to Manila, Philippine Islands, stopping over a day while the plane's engine was checked. The following day they flew to Guam and Wake Islands, losing a day when they crossed the international dateline between Wake and Midway Islands.

From Midway they flew to Honolulu and from Hawaii it was an 18-hour over-sea hop to San Francisco.

They left San Francisco at 12:20 p.m., and arrived in Newark at 8:53 next morning, a voyage for which the Flying Cloud set an 89-day sailing record!

They breakfasted in Newark, caught the 10:30 Boston plane, and arrived here at 11:30 a.m. the same morning. Cost: \$750 apiece, one way.

## China will Face Many Problems after the War

### FLEET STREET.

Professor R. H. Tawney, speaking on the post-war development of China, at a luncheon organised by the China Campaign Committee, said that in spite of the loss of human life and the economic loss caused by the present war in China, he thought the war had contributed something to the solution of problems with which the Government had been faced.

The couriers always reported to me, and I went straight round to Basil Thomson, head of the British Intelligence.

### Disguised

"Very rarely could I tell him anything he did not already know."

"Our most sensational spy was a woman whom one of our couriers, an ex-Guardsman, noticed frequently on the cross-Channel boats."

"He was puzzled because she came about in heavy boots, and immediately changed into light shoes. We told Basil Thomson about her. He made curiously little comment."

"Some time later he said to me, one day: 'You remember that woman in the boots on the cross-Channel boat? He's dead.'

"The woman was a man in disguise."

### Rescue Job

The most romantic job on which Mr. Houchin's organisation ever embarked was that of trying to rescue an Englishman from the infirmary in German-occupied Cambrai, where he had lain sick at the outbreak of war.

"It was to have been a regular Scarlet Pimpernel affair," Mr. Houchin said.

"Some of our men were going to cross the front lines at night. But the sick man died before we could start."

"Through the agency of a Dutch business man, however, I did get back to this country the abandoned baggage of English and American tourists, which the Germans had stashed high in Cologne Cathedral."

Already Mr. Houchin has seven men, mostly ex-sailors, and a few women for his new courier service. Their journeys are being mapped out through Europe. This time many of the journeys will be by air.

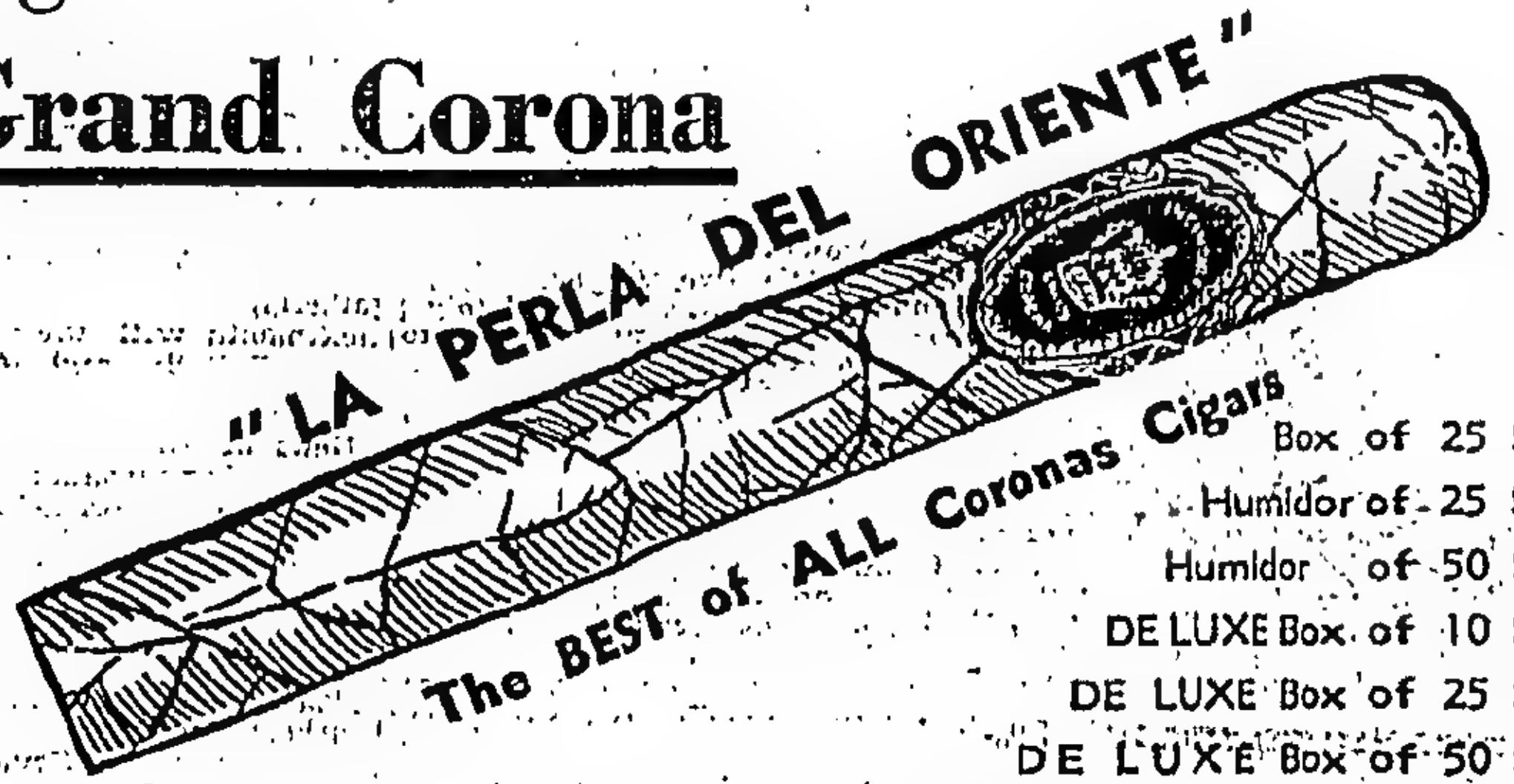
### RANGOON'S FUND FOR POLES

RANGOON, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—The Governor of Burma is patron of the Polish Relief Fund which has been opened in Rangoon.

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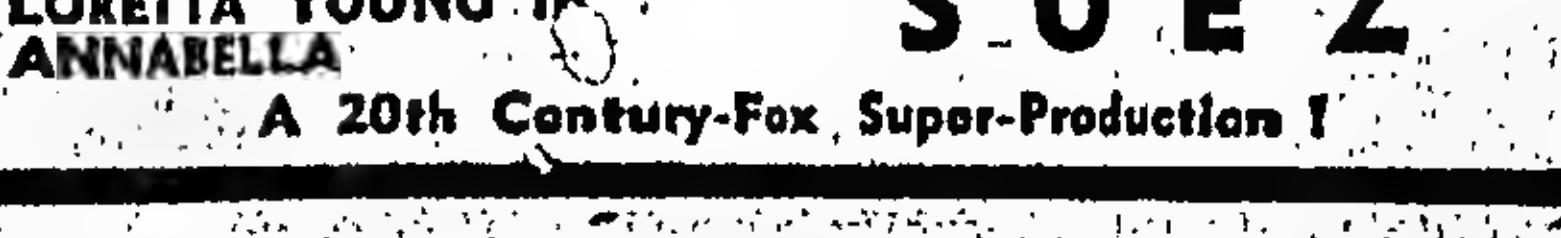
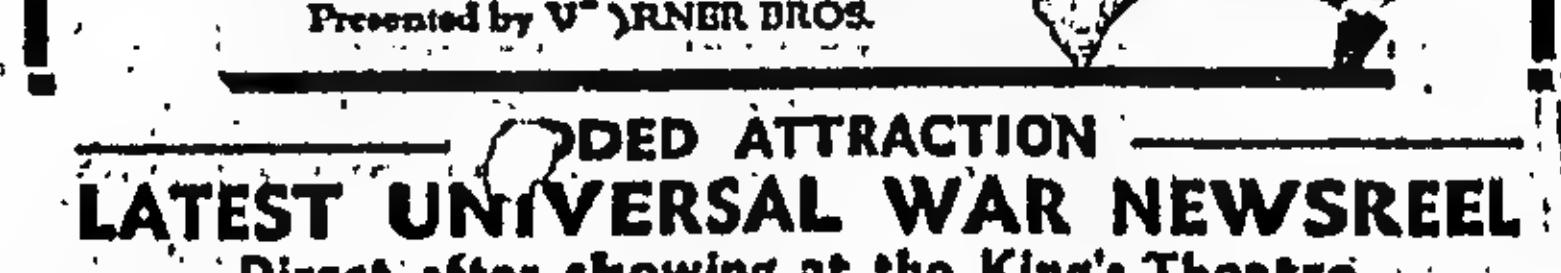
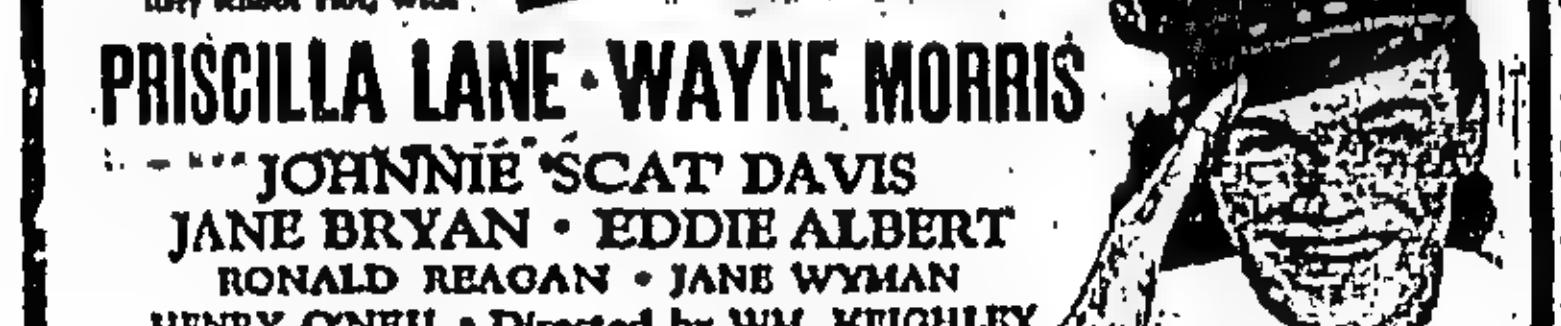
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## Hitler Has Four 35,000-Ton Battleships On The Stocks

# GERMANY, BRITAIN ENGAGED IN WORLD'S GREATEST NAVAL RACE

## BUT HITLER CAN'T BUILD WARSHIPS QUICK ENOUGH

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, DEC. 28 (REUTER).—SHROUDED IN THE DEEPEST SECRECY, THE NAVAL YARDS OF THE ALLIES AND GERMANY ARE WORKING UNDER FULL PRESSURE FOR 24 HOURS A DAY AND SEVEN DAYS A WEEK IN THE MOST DRAMATIC NAVAL RACE FOR CENTURIES.

Germany is known to be producing at least four 35,000 tons battleships, two of which were launched in 1939, namely the Bismarck and the Von Tirpitz. At least one more have probably been laid down.

They are carrying eight 15-inch guns with supplementary armament and four aeroplanes with launching catapults.

They will have a speed of 30 knots.

### WON'T BE READY FOR YEAR

Despite the desperate efforts of the naval staffs, it is not believed that the Bismarck and the Von Tirpitz will be completed before the end of 1940.

Germany is also constructing two aircraft carriers, at least five 10,000 cruisers and is turning out U-boats as fast as possible to replace the losses.

She is directing so much energy to turning out U-boats that she has possibly slowed down the rate of production of the larger ships.

Britain has five 35,000 tons battleships nearing completion, namely King George V, Prince of Wales, Duke of York, Illustrious and Beatty, mounting 10 14-inch guns entirely of a new model with effective range greater than the old 15-inchers.

Special attention is directed against air attacks, and to meet the submarine menace the armour at the water line is 16 inches thick. The speed of these warships is 30 knots.

Also planned are four larger battleships carrying 16-inchers. These battleships are in possession of very high speed.

The Lion and Temeraire are already laid down, and also a vast number of smaller warships are being turned out to meet the U-boat menace.

They are being produced in such numbers that the Navy regards with equanimity Germany's vaunted submarine programme.

### Economic Warfare Continues

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—The "Times" Washington correspondent says that at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Mr. Clifton Utley, of the Chicago Council of Foreign Relations, declared that the Allied Powers would take a "major step toward imperial suicide" if a European peace was made now.

He predicted that the conflict could continue through 1940 with losses for all, including neutrals, and peace for none.

Mr. Utley put bluntly what others are now saying to the likelihood that any early peace initiative from a neutral source could succeed.

The general effect is to lend force to the remainder from President Roosevelt that a "specific plan" is not in sight and from the Pope that the "opportunity moment" must be awaited.

### War Must Continue

What is implicit in the President's letter of December 23 and the Pope's address to the College of Cardinals, says Walter Lippman, the well-known columnist, is that "the war will continue since Hitler and Stalin are as yet not prepared to meet the indispensable condition of peace—reparation of the wrongs done to Poland, Finland and Czechoslovakia."

### Post-War Order

President Roosevelt spoke of the liberation of those countries as the day that would "loose the captives and consume their conquerors in a fire of their own kindling," but Lippman is at one with the Pope in the belief that the extent of the reparation to come should not be determined by the conquerors alone.

"Unless the rest of the world participates in founding a post-war order, there will be no enduring settlement in a world which will need a programme of relief, reconstruction and spiritual succour beyond anything that was ever undertaken in history," he says.

President Roosevelt is sending Mr. Myron Taylor to Rome to prepare the ground and he is enlisting the influence of American churches to the same end.

He will also have to see to it that Congress, which will meet next month, can rise above party politics to the same high ultimate purpose.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 29 (Reuter).—All schools in Mexico giving religious instruction have been banned by an official decree.

### AID FROM ITALIANS

Volunteers Reported To Have Arrived

HELSINKI, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—It is freely reported that at least 2,000 Italian volunteers have arrived to fight against the Soviets, but this is not confirmed as yet in official circles.

At the same time, three Swedish volunteer contingents have arrived, and a large Danish ambulance unit is on the way.

The appeals from Finland for active as well as moral support have received a reply in the broadcast by the Norwegian Foreign Minister. He said that Norway must pursue her course of non-participation because her whole defence system is based on that idea.

Nevertheless Norway joins wholeheartedly in all appeals for moral and humanitarian aid.

Quarantine restrictions imposed by the Government of the Straits Settlements and Federated Malay States against arrivals from Hongkong on account of cholera have been removed.

Owing to the extremely heavy pressure on space in the Grill Room, the ceremony will be held over the Kaaba, the most holy relic of Meletem, in the courtyard of the Mosque at Mecca.

### 15 MILLION HAVE DIED

IN THE LAST four centuries, 15,000,000 people have perished in earthquakes.

Wednesday's disaster in Asia Minor is the worst recorded since the Tokyo earthquake on September 1, 1923, when 156,000 died.

The two greatest earthquakes recorded in history have occurred in Kansu province in China, in the present century. In 1920 more than 350,000 people were wiped out while, on May 23, 1927, the province suffered another toll of over 100,000.

Other big earthquakes this century have been:

	KILLED
May 8, 1908 Marlin, Calif.	30,000
December 30, 1908 Nescau, Chile	77,283
January 11, 1911 Abruzzi, Italy	24,000
September 1, 1923 Tokyo, Japan	150,000
July 23, 1930 Naples, Italy	1,475
March 3, 1931 Japan	2,000
April 28, 1931 Fornasa, Italy	3,185
May 31, 1935 Quetta, India	38,000

### World Again Rocked By Subterranean Collapses

## 40,000 DEAD IN TURKISH EARTHQUAKE DISASTER

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

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Further earthquakes are reported to-day from the Rand in South Africa, from the Bolsena mountains in Italy, from Salinas, Monterey and the Pacific grove in California and from Santa Cruz in South America.

Earthquakes have already occurred during the past week in South America, California, the Banda Sea—the latter was one of the heaviest shocks recorded for many years but was attended by no loss of life because it occurred in an uninhabited area—from Tangiers, and from Soviet Russia.

### 80 CITIES RAZED

In Asia Minor, where eighty cities and villages have been razed to the ground, the death roll has now risen to the highest number recorded since the Tokyo disaster in 1923.

An area of a quarter of a million square miles of Asia Minor has become the tomb of 40,000 people.

The city of Erzincan, with a population of 100,000, has been partly sealed by the military authorities.

Thousands of survivors were thrown into uncontrollable panic yesterday when further shocks were recorded.

Dead bodies are littering the streets and the ravaged towns.

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### Imperial Headquarters Keep Own Losses Quiet

## JAPANESE CLAIM CHINA'S WAR DEAD 1,218,462

TOKYO, DEC. 29 (DOMEI).—A TOTAL OF 1,218,462 DEAD HAVE BEEN ABANDONED BY CHINESE ARMIES IN THE BATTLEFIELDS BETWEEN THE BEGINNING OF THE SINO-JAPANESE CONFLICT IN JULY, 1937, AND THE END OF NOVEMBER, THIS YEAR, ACCORDING TO A COMMUNIQUE ISSUED BY THE ARMY DEPARTMENT OF THE IMPERIAL HEADQUARTERS.

Adding to the figures those who have been wounded, deserted or surrendered to the Japanese or have otherwise been lost, the total losses sustained by Chinese forces are estimated at 3,000,000, the communiqué claims.

Reviewing the activities of the Japanese army in the past year, the communiqué makes the ambiguous claim that following the fall of the Wuhan cities, the Chinese G.H.Q. have been compelled "by circumstances to continue resistance."

DURING the offensive on Hainan Island, about 1,000 Chinese troops have been repelled with 230 dead abandoned and 30 taken prisoner.

About 10 Chinese divisions were engaged by Japanese forces during the tactical operation near Anlu in Hubei. Chinese abandoned 1,750 dead and 85 prisoners were taken.

Encountering about 7 divisions of Chinese troops, the Japanese troops killed 5,117 Chinese in the tactical operation on Hainan, in Kiangsu Province.

About 20 divisions of Chinese troops were engaged by Japanese forces during the offensive on Nanchang. Chinese dead totalled 12,300, while 2,870 Chinese prisoners were taken.

About 20 divisions of Chinese troops fought in the Japanese offensive near Sianyang in northern Hubei. Chinese abandoned 17,500 dead and 1,007 Chinese troops were taken prisoner.

In the Swallow offensive, Japanese defeated about 2,000 Chinese troops, of whom 600 were killed and 107 taken prisoner.

About 136,000 Chinese troops fought in the Japanese offensive near Lushan in Sian, Chinese abandoned 12,700 dead and 900 Chinese prisoners were taken.

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## CARNIVALS GALORE

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cocktails will be served in the Roof Garden.

The Grips New Year's Eve Carnival will be extended to 3 a.m. Entertainment will be provided by June West and Kay, versatile quick-step dancers, Mignons, whose act has proved one of the most graceful seen in the Colony, and the Six Grips Graces.

## B.E.F. Dance Tunes

Dance music, which will include the two swing tango numbers to whose tune the B.E.F. is marching in France—"We'll Hang Our Washing On The Siegfried Line" and "Beer Barrel Polka"—will be provided by Nick Korin and His Swing Orchestra.

Heavy bookings have also been notified by the Management of the Peninsula Hotel, where a 3 a.m. Carnival is also being held.

Art. Carnaval and His Band will provide the music, the cabaret items being provided by the ladies who are also entertaining at the Hongkong Hotel.

The Band of the 2nd Bn., The Royal Scots, will provide the music at the Grand Carnival at Repulse Bay Hotel, which has also obtained an extension until 3 a.m. for the occasion.

## Gloucester Features

The popular Gloucester Hotel is featuring the Plaza Boys and "Brunette," in addition to the Duo Farolano, as cabaret items for tomorrow night and New Year's Eve. The New Year's Eve's Dinner Dance Carnival will continue until 3 a.m., dance music being supplied by the Continental Orchestra. To-morrow night's gala will be extended to 2 a.m.

Gala nights are also scheduled for to-morrow night at the Hongkong and Peninsula Hotels.

In addition to the four principal hotels, special carnival events are advertised by other establishments.

The Chiantester, popular new Kowloon rendezvous, announces a 3 a.m. cabaret carnival for New Year's Eve, and a 2 a.m. carnival to-morrow night. Cabaret items will be provided by the Harmony Three, the Verstile Juveniles, Lily Harrison and Rastus.

A "champagne" New Year's Eve is advertised by the St. Francis Hotel, where 1940 will be ushered in by an excellent menu.

## Club Carnivals

Club carnivals include the annual Plain and Fancy Dress function at the Kowloon Cricket Club on Sunday night and a Fancy Dress carnival in the China Light and Power Club to-night.

Screen entertainment includes "Hollywood Cavalcade" at the Kite, "Babes in Arms" at the Queen's and Alhambra, "The Little Princess" at the Cathay, "Suz" at the Majestic and "Union Pacific" at the Oriental.

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Chinese troops were defeated, Chinese abandoned 100 dead and 15 Chinese were taken prisoner.

About 400,000 Chinese troops were fought in the tactical operations through Kiangsi and Hunan. Chinese abandoned 38,400 dead and 3,700 Chinese prisoners were taken.

In the mopping-up operation on Chungsian in Kwangtung, 2,800 Chinese troops were repulsed, with 259 dead abandoned and 10 taken prisoner.

During the April, July and September offensives Japanese forces engaged a total of 1,114,300 Chinese, of whom 94,350 were slain and 6,704 taken prisoner.

## Booty Claims

Booty captured by Japanese troops between July, 1937, and November, 1939, included 1,203 artillery pieces, 2,755 Bren guns, 1,424 trench mortars, 223 rapid-shooting machine-guns, 6,645 heavy machine-guns,

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## BANK HOLIDAY.

In accordance with Government Ordinance, the Exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of public business on Monday, the 1st January, 1940. (The first week-day in January).

Hongkong, 28th December, 1939.

## NOTICE

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Notice to Shippers

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Shippers are requested to apply to the Secretary for signature of contracts.

W. F. ARNDT,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, December 27, 1939.

## WESTERN FRONT

## Hand To Hand Fighting

## Nazis Intensify Their Raids

PARIS, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—There has been considerable patrol activity on the Western Front by both sides.

One Nazi raid against a small wood near Vosges resulted in some sharp hand to hand fighting, while another in the Saar region was easily repulsed.

French patrols were active east of the Moselle.

## Empire Troops in France

LONDON, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—The safe arrival of Indian, Canadian and Australian troops in Europe was the theme of the Free German Radio broadcast to-day.

The announcer described the arrivals as striking proof of Dr. Goebbels' mendacity, and concluded that Germany was unable to prevent all these men from traversing the seas.

"Now, Goebbels, who is it that rules the Seven Seas?" he asked.

## Anglo-French Co-operation

LONDON, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—Major-General Fraser, who is in command of the New Zealand troops overseas, said that he was greatly struck by the co-operation he had seen between the British and French troops in France.

## Reduced Activity

PARIS, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—A communiqué states that there was reduced activity of contact units.

## Official Communiqué

MOSCOW, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—An official war communiqué states that "there was no event of importance to report from the front."

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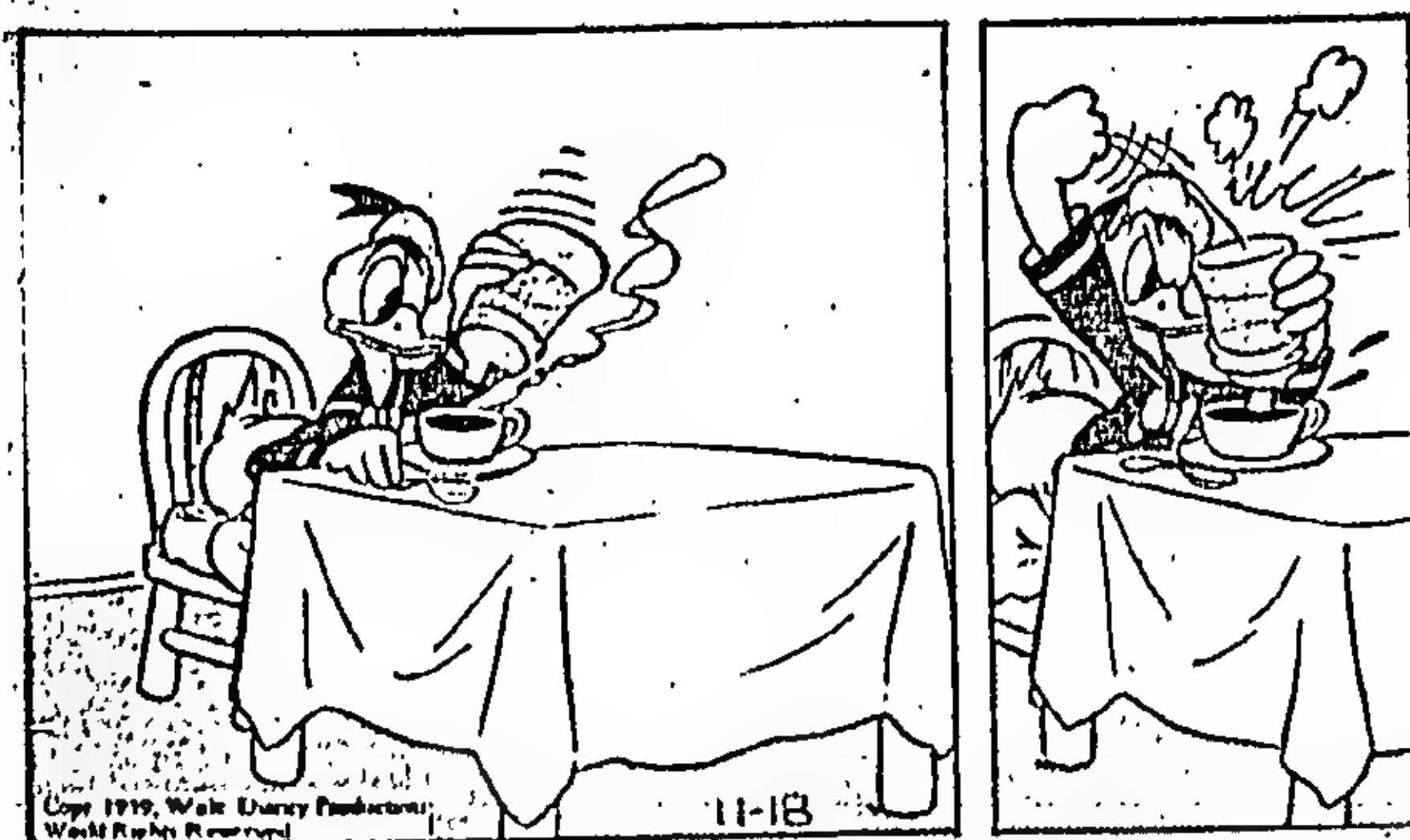
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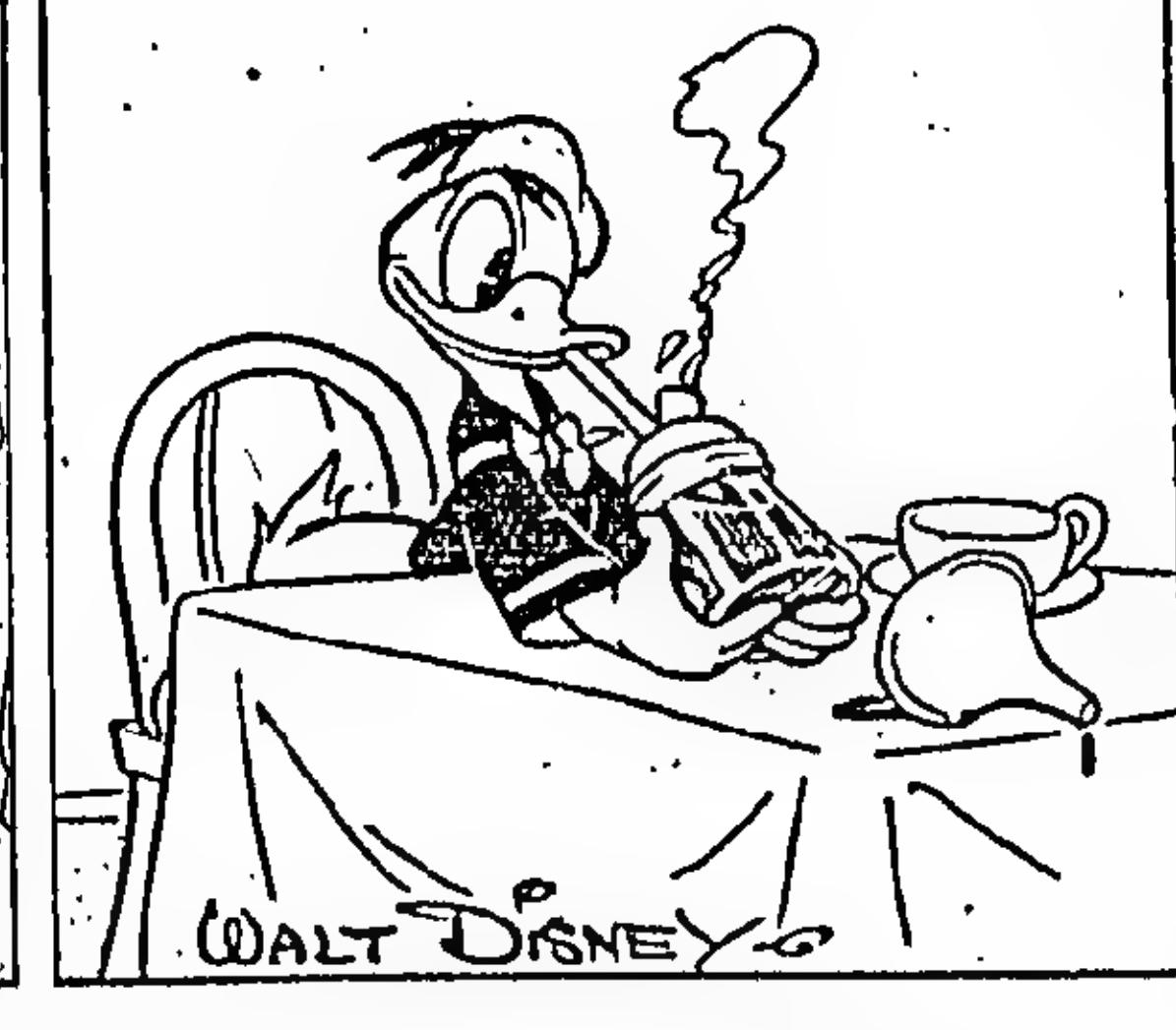
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## Singapore Chinese Leader Expelled

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
SINGAPORE, Dec. 28 (UPI).—The Government has issued an expulsion order against a prominent Chinese resident, Mr. Hau Say-hoani, a member of the China Relief Fund Committee which sends millions of dollars annually to China.

Mr. Hau is alleged to have encouraged unlawful societies under the cloak of genuinely patriotic activities.

In addition to being a member of the Fund Committee, he is a Director of a Singapore newspaper and the manager of an insurance company.

Sir Alexander Small, the Colonial Secretary, attended a meeting of the Fund Committee and stated that Mr. Hau personally encouraged the activities of unlawful societies—the Vanguard Corps and an Anti-enemy Society—and was backing up a society which had committed many acts of violence and terrorism in the name of Chinese patriotism.

Sir Alexander said that these dangerous societies were closely connected, while the Anti-Enemy Society was the organ of the Malayan Communist Party, which in itself was a dangerous subversive organization aiming at the overthrow of the government by open revolution.

**Danger To Peace**  
Sir Alexander referred to leaflets issued by the Anti-Enemy Society and drew attention to particularly inflammatory passages and drawings.

"While the government sympathises sincerely with the Chinese in China, these illegal organisations have become a danger to the peace and good order of the Colony," he said.

Mr. Hau is required to leave Malaya before December 31 and must not return.

### British Statesmen Entertained

PARIS, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—The French Minister of the Interior was host at a luncheon yesterday to Sir Samuel Hoare, the Lord Privy Seal, Lord Harkness, Minister Without Portfolio, and Sir Ronald Campbell, the British Ambassador.

### EX-GERMAN PILOTS JOIN THE ALLIES

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—Three airmen, ex-German pilots of the last war, have joined the Active Citizens Unit of the South African Air Force. Their names are not being made public because they still have relatives in Germany, but one of them is one of the most famous war pilots Germany ever had.

### WHERE IS GOERING?

#### Nazi Chief Believed To Be In Disgrace

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—"What has happened to Field Marshal Hermann Goering?" is a question people are asking in Germany, according to reports reaching here.

The Air Minister has been almost ostentatiously absent from all Christmas festivities.

It is recalled that when Hitler and General Walther von Brauchitsch visited the front, Hess and Goebbels made speeches and all the other Nazi leaders made public appearances, but Goering stayed quietly at Schorfheide, his country home, and did not even appear at the Christmas party for poor children in Berlin.

#### At Loggheads

But gifts were distributed on his behalf by an obscure mayor of one of the districts of the capital.

Some people in Berlin suggest that Goering is deliberately keeping himself in the background until some definite issue emerges from the present argument about policy.

It is stated here that violent discussions are raging between the Party and the Army about the future conduct of the war, and Soviet relations.

These persons argue that Goering has decided to hold himself aloof until he sees his way more clearly.

#### Quarrel With Hitler?

Rival theorists declare that Goering has already quarrelled with Hitler and is temporarily in disgrace, and is accordingly remaining behind the scenes and the trouble has blown over.

Whatever the reason for the Field Marshal's failure to participate in the war time Christmas, it is considered very strange in Germany.

### DANISH STEAMER SUNK BY MINE

LONDON, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—The Danish steamer, Hanne, 1,000 tons, was sunk by a mine off the north-east coast to-day.

### Amazing Russian Reverses In Arctic Continue

## FINNISH INVASION OF U.S.S.R. MEETS SUCCESS

HELSINKI, Dec. 28 (REUTER).—WHILE FIGHTING CONTINUES ON RUSSIAN SOIL EAST OF LIEKSA, THE FINNS ARE REPORTED TO HAVE PUSHED THE RED ARMY ACROSS THE FRONTIER AT A NEW POINT SOME MILES NORTHWARD.

Fighting is continuing in the border region of Kivivara.

Reports received here suggest that the Soviet Command is preparing a determined attempt to retrieve the situation near Suomussalmi, where the invaders recently suffered a severe reverse.

The Russians are attacking to the north of Suomussalmi with the evident object of making another attempt to break through the "wasp waist" to Oulu at the head of the Gulf of Finland.

Soviet troops dispersed at Suomussalmi have been re-concentrated against the Finnish centre for a new drive.

#### Railway Threatened

HELSINKI, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—Two detachments of Finnish ski troops are now in Soviet Russia and are heading for the Murmansk-Leningrad Railway with the object of cutting it.

In view of their small numbers, they are avoiding heavy engagements.

They have headed for Kandalakscha, which is situated at the spot where the railway skirts the White Sea at its northern end.

If they can cut the railway and hang on in that area, the Soviets will be unable to get reinforcements and supplies through to the Petsamo front.

On the Petsamo front, the Russians have completely lost the initiative and are practically in a state of siege.

#### Tanks Form Fortress

A Finnish officer who has just returned from that area reports that at least 150 Soviet tanks are snow-bound and in many cases the Flins have found their crews frozen to death inside.

The crews of others are either surrounded or have fled.

In other cases, Soviet tank detachments have placed their tanks in a circle, forming a small but effective fortress. They are difficult to attack but at the same time they are isolated and useless in the main drive.

On the central front, the Soviets have lost large quantities of men and materials in their retreat, while the last reports from the southern front stated that the Soviet tanks are snow-bound and in many cases the Flins have found their crews frozen to death inside.

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#### Fighting On Ice

#### SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HELSINKI, Dec. 28 (UP).—It has been officially stated that the Finnish troops wiped out two Russian companies in fierce hand-to-hand fighting on the ice on Lake Suwanto in the Karelian Isthmus area on Wednesday.

Fighting also continues in Russian territory east of Lietka on the east central Russo-Finnish frontier and in the Arctic sector.

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The deep snow has rendered the Russian tanks immobile.

#### Official Confirmation

HELSINKI, Dec. 29 (Reuter).—It is officially confirmed that Finnish forces have invaded Soviet territory in pursuit of Red Army contingents at two points, but there is as yet no confirmation of the reports that the Murmansk-Leningrad Railway has been reached and cut.

No bombs were dropped when Soviet planes soared over the capital in large numbers yesterday, but it is feared that this may have been a preliminary reconnaissance for a mass air raid.

In the fighting on the Karelian front, an official communiqué states that two Soviet companies, consisting of 800 men, were annihilated. The Soviet attacks immediately to the north of Lake Ladoga were repulsed with heavy loss.

Nine Soviet aircraft were shot down during the day.

#### Finnish Air Alarm

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" HELSINKI, Dec. 29 (UP).—An air raid alarm was sounded at 11:30 p.m. and ended at 12:05 a.m. today. Two heavy explosions occurred outside the city.

Many planes passed high over east and west Helsinki. Kota, on the coast 120 kilometers east of the city, was heavily bombed last evening. There was an air alarm at Pervoo shortly before 8 p.m. Details from both places are lacking.

#### Moscow-Silence

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" MOSCOW, Dec. 28 (UP).—A communiqué issued by the Soviet Army Headquarters at Leningrad to-day states that nothing important has occurred at the front.

The search goes on only in the capital, but in the woods and lanes of the counties of Kildare and Wicklow, fields and hedges of estates are thoroughly combed.

#### City Completely Cordoned

In Dublin, military patrols continued to search all cars entering and leaving the city, which is so completely cordoned that it is impossible to enter or leave without passing through at least one police post.

All pedestrians carrying cases are stopped and searched, and in the country districts the quest is even more thorough, for everyone, whether walking or cycling, has to submit to an examination and explain where

## HIGH COST OF TROOPS

### Belgium Finds It A Severe Burden

BRUSSELS, Dec. 28 (Reuter).

The expense of keeping troops mobilised was stressed by the Premier, M. Pierlot, speaking in the Senate to-day when he declared that the Government could not accept any amendments to the financial proposals already adopted by the Chamber which would have the effect of reducing revenue from the new taxes contained in them.

Fears Belgium May Lose Out

"I am very much afraid that the result of the Internecine struggle between her neighbours and Belgium is the losing of her capital even if she is not called upon to give her blood. There are some people who show indifference when they are faced with danger or who appear to ignore it completely."

"Keeping troops continually in a state of mobilisation is an expensive matter and the cost ought to be met by an internal loan, for money borrowed abroad would be too dear, especially in view of the present conditions."

"The sacrifices which every Belgian makes upon the march are enormous, but surely is what our country commands of them."

They have come from and where they are going.

#### Government Reward Offer

DUBLIN, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—The Government is offering a reward of £1,000 for information leading to the recovery of the stolen ammunition.

Substantial rewards will be paid in respect of any portion of the ammunition.

The number of arrests is now estimated at 30.

#### Ammunition Recovered

DUBLIN, Dec. 29 (Reuter).—At least three tons of ammunition stolen by I.R.A. raiders at Phoenix Park are now recovered.

The third biggest dump was unearthed immediately off the main Belfast-Dublin road at Julianstown county, Meath.

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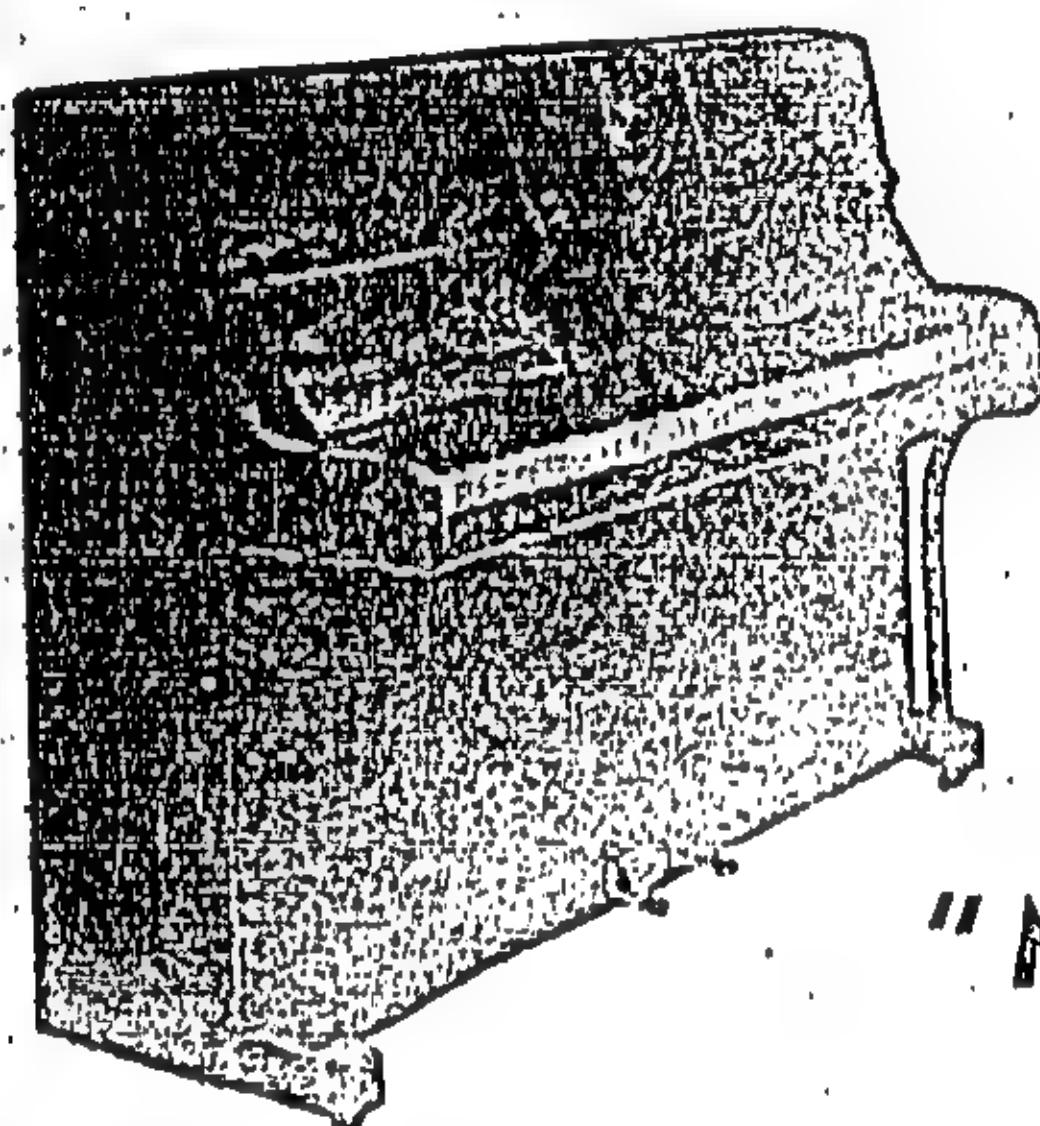
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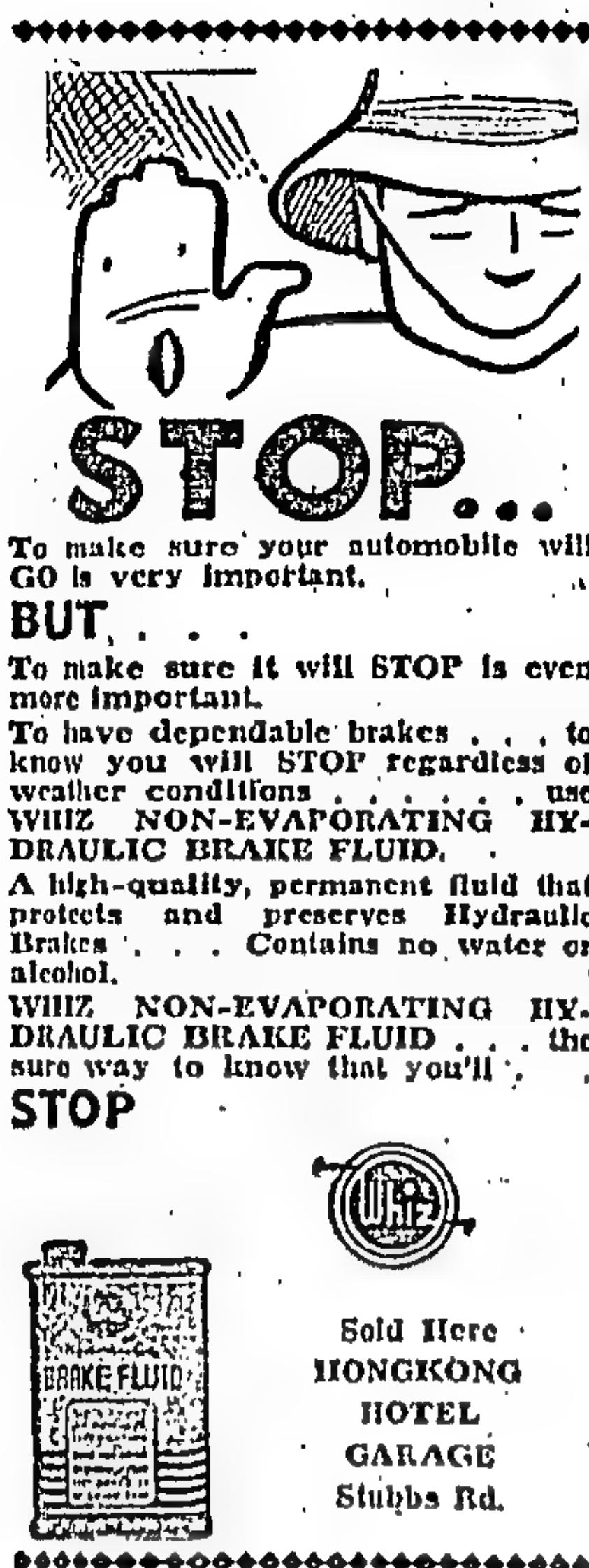
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#### The Military Moustache

IT seems that, as a result of their being called up for service in the army, the youth of Britain are showing an increased tendency to cultivate the moustache. Not one of a very luxuriant variety; for, although the military authorities are not inclined to split hairs at this point, anything in the nature of a "walrus" or a "sealion" might be frowned on. It is the dapper "tooth-brush" that is the heir-apparent of those mighty beards that once waved at Balaclava and Lucknow—in the days before the gas-mask had come and left the unshaven chin bristling with difficulties.

Perhaps there is some significance to be seen in this evolution of the military countenance. For the fierce aspect of the "old moustache," and the rude, uncouth appearance bestowed by a shaggy mane, were once held, no doubt, to be symbols of the soldier's nature; but it is plain that little of this earlier concept of him lingers, if one may judge from the lip-service it receives.

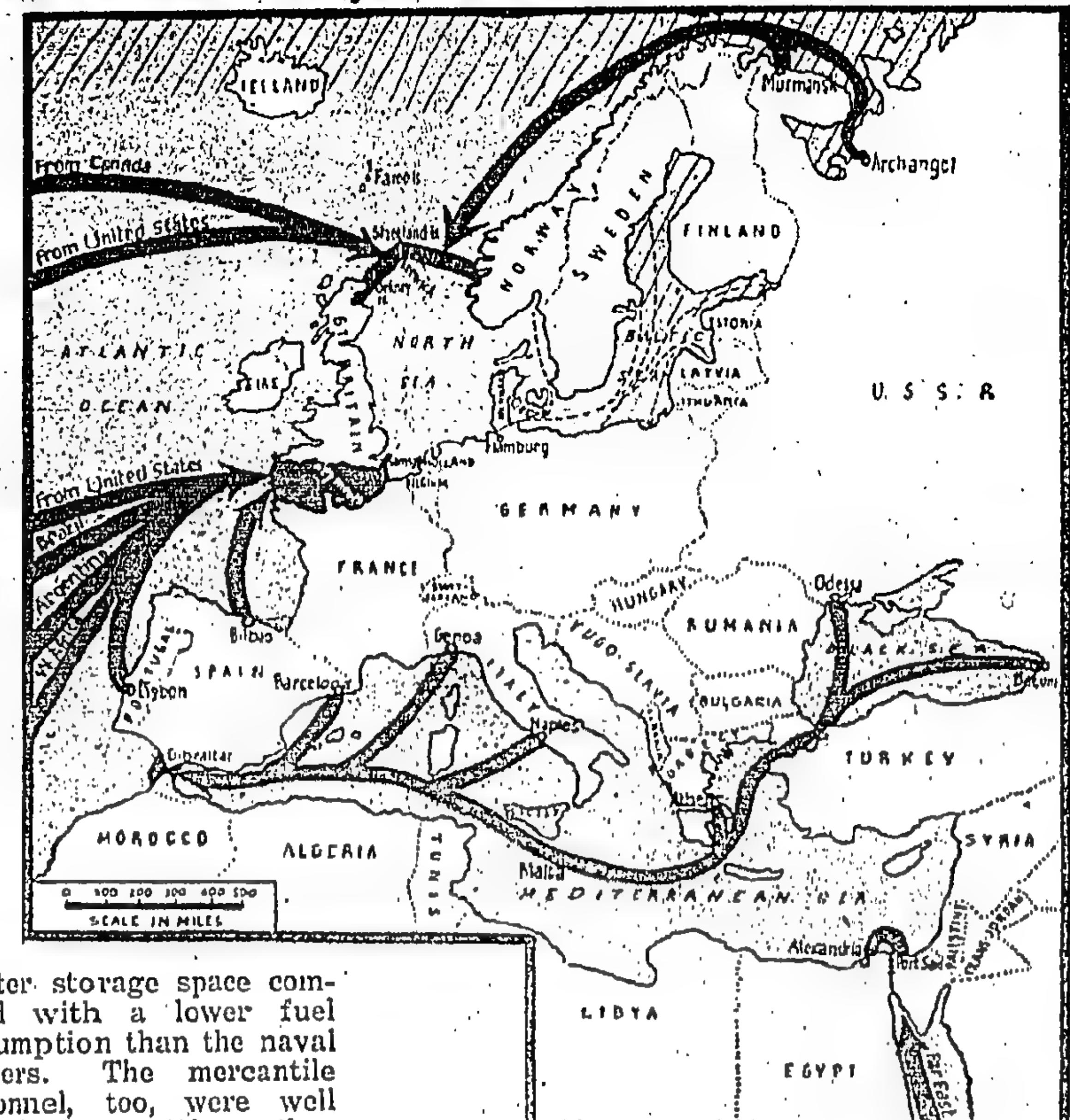
#### Eros—Evacuee

One of London's most famous figures recently appeared on the list of "evacuees," when the statue of Eros was removed from Piccadilly Circus. It was a very high compliment; for although His Majesty's Office of Works has sent James II into exile, taken away from the House of Commons a bust of Cromwell, and erected a scaffold for Charles I in Whitehall, this time to protect him, it has left the rest of London's statues to stand their ground unsheltered.

The average Londoner takes little exception to this since he has always had a feeling that "they'd none of them be missed." But this does not apply to Eros. Eros made a pleasant contrast to those eminent gentlemen who "sleep in dull, cold marble" all over London's squares, but who, wrapped in their frock coats, or frogged tunics, are, in the Londoner's view, so far from being

the city evidently recognised the fact: it would much rather have seen the captains and the kings depart, not to mention the politicians, and it paid Eros a tribute that it seldom pays to them—it looked at him. He conquered not only its attention, but its affection; and although when peace returns, the Stuarts may enjoy another Restoration, they will hardly receive such an ovation as will conquering Eros.

## BLOCKADE NEWS REEL



A GLANCE at the map will show you why Napoleon, more than a century ago, cursed the geographical situation of Great Britain, why Hitler curses that same inescapable fact to-day.

The heavy lines show the sea routes by which in peace-time industrialised, urbanised Germany receives her main imports of iron ore, wool, oil, cotton, wheat, coffee, fruit, butter, coal, timber, copper and tin from the U.S.A., Argentine, Brazil, India, China and Japan.

To reach Germany all the North and South Atlantic sea routes must converge into two main traffic lines, both dominated by the British Navy. The northern routes must pass somewhere between the 250-mile span between Northern Scotland and Southern Norway, the southern routes must pass up the English Channel, through the 20-mile Straits of Dover. Those 270 miles control 85 per cent. of Germany's oversea trade routes, and those 270 miles are controlled by Britain.

Further South, the great Mediterranean trade routes can also be controlled by the Allied navies from several bases. At Suez, Malta and Gibraltar vessels are inspected for contraband.

#### HOW BLOCKADE WORKS

During the last war the blockade of Germany was maintained by the 10th Cruiser Squadron. At its maximum strength this included 20 armed merchant cruisers, comprising ships of the Allan, White Star, Orient, Anchor, P. & O., Union Castle, Royal Mail, Furness, Withy, Elders & Fyffes and other lines.

These were commanded by naval officers, but otherwise the personnel was mainly R.N.R. (ex-mercantile). Experience during the first few months of the blockade proved these to be much better suited for such work than the old naval cruisers employed at the beginning. This procedure not only released naval men

from strictly naval duties, but abreast

the merchant cruisers had courses

greater storage space combined with a lower fuel consumption than the naval cruisers. The mercantile personnel, too, were well trained in spotting other merchant vessels, and any odd features about those vessels.

These merchant cruisers were armed with 6in. and 3in. guns, and their fuelling capacity enabled them to stay at sea for periods varying up to 30 days. Vessels were divided into patrols which covered the whole area from Iceland to the Hebrides, and as ice prevents ships from passing north of Iceland for several months of the year it was only necessary to keep that section patrolled during the summer months. In the map above, the scored area represents the extent of the ice—during the winter months.

As a general rule ships were about 30 miles apart, since visibility for the lookout in the crow's nest was usually about 15 miles. Zig-zag courses were always steered to guard against submarine attack, and the general rate of steaming was 15 knots. In the centre of the line what was known as an "in and out" patrol" was maintained.

Ships would steam in line

for the merchant cruisers had courses

shipping for 30 or 40 miles nays. Immediately behind in one direction, and then in the Fair Island channel, hundreds of destroyers, patrol vessels, trawlers and other small craft, fitted with anti-submarine devices, were constantly on patrol.

#### CONTRABAND CONTROL

In the English Channel the blockade was a comparatively simple procedure. To-day, control stations are established at Weymouth, Ramsgate and Lerwick (in the Shetland Islands). To these control stations all vessels suspected of carrying contraband to German ports are conducted for examination.

Throughout the period this patrol was in operation, only 4 per cent. of the merchant ships crossing the Atlantic managed to avoid the blockade. During the heaviest week recorded 156 ships were boarded and 58 sent into port for examination. Two armed raiders succeeded in getting through disguised as neutral merchantmen, but two were detected and sunk.

From May 1, 1918, the blockade was maintained by a huge minefield laid between Norway and the Ork-

## The Allies Were Aryans Once

ONE of these days some one will ask Herren Goebbels and Streicher who introduced the Aryan theory into Germany. Then there will be a rumpus.

The Aryan theory is the most remarkable—and, as it has turned out, dangerous—accident, for which we are not entirely blameless. The French invented it; we made it popular, and introduced it to Germany; and there it was firmly planted in patriotic minds by a Jewish philosopher.

That is awkward for the National Socialists, but quite, quite true.

It all began like this. Not so long ago we Europeans knew nothing about the languages of India, and when Sir William Jones, a celebrated philologist, went to that country on Government business, he took the trouble to learn Sanscrit, which gave him the clue to the origin of a big group of European languages—English, German,

Icelandic and a host of others among them.

These languages are now called Indo-European or Indo-Germanic; but Sir William translated the Sanscrit term quite innocently by the word Aryan—and then the trouble began.

A number of ethnologists and self-styled anthropologists got hold of these Sanscrit researches and jumped to the conclusion that if people speak similar languages you can say they belong to one race."

In 1855 Count Joseph de Gobineau, an enthusiastic and eccentric Frenchman, wrote a book called "Essay on the Inequality of the Human Races," which, as the title suggests, tried to prove that one so-called race—the Aryan race—was the greatest in the world.

The book caused much discussion in France and England. It was very nice for every one to think that he belonged to the chosen race. The Prussian Min-

ister in Britain, Baron Bunsen, took up the theory with enthusiasm and passed it on to his pupil, Max Muller, for many years professor at Oxford. In France the Aryan race was eventually identified by de Lapouge with the Nordic group (originating near the Baltic).

Max Muller plugged the Aryan theory for forty years, and then at length realised that he had been barking up the wrong tree. Just fifty years ago he wrote: "I have declared again and again that if I say Aryans, I mean neither blood nor bones, nor hair, nor skull; I mean simply those who speak an Aryan language."

And Yiddish has a good claim to be considered an Aryan language. That was why Moses Mendelssohn, Jewish-German philosopher, took up the Aryan theory and introduced it to German scholars.

By the time the German nationalists got hold of the

taken theory the English had got over it and the French were laughing at de Gobineau and de Lapouge. Unfortunately, the German nationalist movement absorbed it with a vengeance.

Gustav Kossinna, Prussian nationalist, appointed himself Aryan historian of the German people and tried to prove that "history was pre-eminently a German national science," though no one could imagine why history should be a national science save Kossinna's followers.

But due to the national science appeared on the title-page of the second edition of his book. It was dated "On the day of general mobilisation, 1914."

And on the same day a group of young Prussians formed a "National Socialist League" to

## Lanchow, Capital Of Kansu, Now In Flames

## MASS RAIDS REDUCE CHINESE CITY TO PILE OF RUINS

## MUSSOLINI TO VISIT POPE AT VATICAN

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 28 (UP).—Signor Mussolini is to visit His Holiness the Pope at the Vatican on January 4.

This announcement was made to-day following a 35-minute private conversation between the Pope and King Victor Emmanuel in the Quirinal.

It is understood that the Pope expressed a desire to receive the Duco.

First reactions in both Italian political circles and Vatican quarters is that Mussolini's visit would be connected with the Holy See's interest in peace.

It is generally understood that the Holy See and the Italian Government are following a parallel course.

Special to the "Telegraph"

ROME, Dec. 28 (Domel).—Returning the Royal visit to the Vatican Palace on December 21, His Holiness the Pope this morning called on King Victor Emmanuel and the Queen at the Quirinal.

Such an event has not occurred since the Fascist Party came to power. Political circles say that it signifies closer co-operation between the Holy See and the Italian Government in connection with the current international situation, and especially in dealing with the question of peace in Europe.

## Garcia Is Keen To Fight In Hongkong

Ceferino Garcia, middleweight boxing champion of the world, who recently defeated Glen Lee in a title bout in Manila, would be very glad to fight in Hongkong if a bout could be arranged.

He said this morning when he arrived in Hongkong en route back to the United States.

Commenting on his fight last week, Garcia merely said: "It was a very good fight, and I am glad I won."

Garcia was accompanied by his wife, five-month old son, and Trainer, John Villanor.

## To Fight Armstrong

The champion added that he was returning to the United States to defend his title against Henry Armstrong at Los Angeles on February 22.

"I am feeling in excellent form and I certainly hope I shall win," he declared.

He revealed that Jack Dempsey, who referred his title fight in Manila had already returned to America by Clipper, and would, therefore, not be coming to Hongkong, as at one time hoped.

Asked-as-to-what-were his intentions regarding his young son, Garcia said that he would like him to be able to fight, but these days one had to leave it to the boy to decide what place he intended to go.

"However, I intend to give him an education, and I am trying to earn enough for him now. As far as I am concerned, I hope to quit the ring as soon as I have achieved this object."

## Glen Lee Aboard

Also aboard the same ship which arrived here this morning was Glen Lee, Garcia's challenger in Manila. He was accompanied by his trainer.

A third interesting American sports personality aboard was Frank Kornack, national ranking tennis player, who is returning to the United States following an exhibition tour of the Orient.

## 10,000,000 Will Die In China This Winter

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

NEW YORK, Dec. 28 (UP).—The New York press to-day gave wide play to the arrival of 24-year-old Miss Joy Homer, a representative of the Church Committee for China Relief.

Miss Homer has completed year's travel in 15 of China's 19 provinces.

In her press interview she warned that at least 10,000,000 people will perish from starvation and cold in North China this winter unless emergency relief funds are forthcoming.

She paid great tribute to the Chinese leaders and the recuperative ability of the Chinese people.

## Chinese To Make Films In Hollywood

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 28 (UP).—Hollywood, China's leading movie producer and director, accompanied by his actress wife Tao Yee-man, have arrived here to produce two films.

The films will be distributed in the United States and China, and Tao Yee-man will star in both.

"It takes three years and four million dollars to produce an epic film in Hollywood. In China we do it in five days at a cost of \$2,500," Mr. Kwan asserted.

## AUSTRALIAN FOOTBALL TO BE PLAYED HERE TO-DAY

AUSTRALIAN LEAGUE football is to be introduced to Hongkong this afternoon for the first time in the Colony's history.

Opportunity for a demonstration of this spectacular type of football has been provided by the visit here of an auxiliary cruiser which has aboard some 300 members of the Royal Australian Naval Reserve.

The game will be played at Causeway Bay, commencing at 3.30 p.m.

Australian League football differs from the types of games followed in England, the Continent or in the United States.

It is featured by drop-kicking.

Australian footballers have created world records for lengthy kicks—and spectacular marking.

It is probable that, with the arrival in Hongkong of auxiliary cruisers containing a large preponderance of Australian reservists in their crews, Australian League football will become a common sight in the Colony during the war.

In this afternoon's match, most of the players will be from South Australia. They include men who played in League Football in Australia, Tasmania and Victoria.

The game is to be played on a football field and each team will have

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

CHUNGKING, Dec. 29 (UP).—LANCHOW, CAPITAL OF KANSU, IS NOW IN FLAMES AS A RESULT OF THE TERRIFIC AIR RAIDS WHICH HAVE BEEN LAUNCHED ON THE CITY BY JAPANESE PLANES SINCE TUESDAY.

No less than 297 planes took part in raids on three consecutive days. On Tuesday, 101 Japanese machines dropped incendiary bombs.

On Wednesday, another 98 planes soared over the blazing city and dropped more bombs, while a further 98 carried out a raid on Thursday.

The worst destruction was caused in yesterday's raid, although no foreign casualties or damage to foreign property is reported.

Yesterday demolition bombs were dropped and most of the hits were scored on houses in the middle of the city.

On Tuesday, three of the invaders were shot down, and another four were brought down on Wednesday.

## Casualties Low

Civilian casualties are low, about 100 being killed in the three raids.

On all three days the air battles were very severe, Chinese pursuit planes engaging the attackers.

Chinese authorities at Lanchow are carrying out their programme of evauluating the civilians.

However, it is stated that the foreign residents will remain.

## Japanese Bombers Shot Down

CHUNGKING, Dec. 29 (Reuter).—At least three Japanese bombers were shot down in aerial battles on Tuesday when 98 planes in three groups raided Lanchow, capital of the Kansu province, according to Chinese reports.

As the Japanese aircraft appeared over Lanchow, it is stated, Chinese pursuit planes engaged them.

## War Front News

Fighting around Sinyang, an important town on the Peiping-Hankow Railway in South Honan, is reaching a decisive stage, according to a "Central News" message from Nanjing this morning. Two more strategic points, it is stated, have been regained by the Chinese forces.

The Japanese besieged at Yuhu, north-west of Sinyang, have succeeded in breaking through the Chinese cordon and have fled in the direction of Yanqiu.

In pursuit of the Japanese retreating from Liheng and Tungyankwan in south-east Shansi, a Chinese force penetrated into Shieshen, in the northern tip of Honan, and recaptured it on Christmas Day.

In South Shansi, the Chinese are reported to be attacking Yicheng. Points to the east of the town have been recovered.

In Kiangsu, some 300 Japanese were killed and five Japanese lorries were destroyed in a chance encounter with Chinese forces at Tashan, east of Tangan, on December 26.

After defeating the Japanese, these Chinese forces pushed toward Chinchowku, reaching there on the morning of December 27.

## Warship Sunk, Report

On the Yangtze River, Chinese sources claim, another Japanese warship has been sunk. This ship was anchored near Chinkow, north-west of Kweichow, on the south bank of the river, when Chinese shore batteries opened fire on her yesterday morning.

It is stated that more than 20 shells hit the vessel, setting it afire.

In the South, Chinese troops made another re-entry into Kiangnan on the morning of December 25 after a night-long engagement. In the outskirts, Japanese military establishments were set on fire. The Chinese forces withdrew after several hours of street fighting.

## Fighting at Muklong and Leungkow.

Fighting at Muklong and Leungkow, about 28 miles east of Paklong, is also stated to be in favour of the Chinese. The invaders were surrounded and heavily attacked at a point six miles south of Muklong yesterday and the day before.

The Chinese who were driven across the Pakong River have suffered further casualties on the south bank. They have fled toward Falsien.

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## U.S. TO HAVE 52 NEW AIR SQUADRONS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28 (Domel).—Fifty-two additional air squadrons are to be created in order to strengthen the Pacific and Caribbean Sea defences, according to an announcement by the Department of War.

Most of the new squadrons will be divided into twelve different groups.

A group of bombers will be assigned to Hawaii, a group of fighters planes to the Panama Canal Zone, and a mixed group of bombers and fighters planes to Alaska.

Four squadrons of bombers and four of fighters will be assigned for the defence of Puerto Rico.

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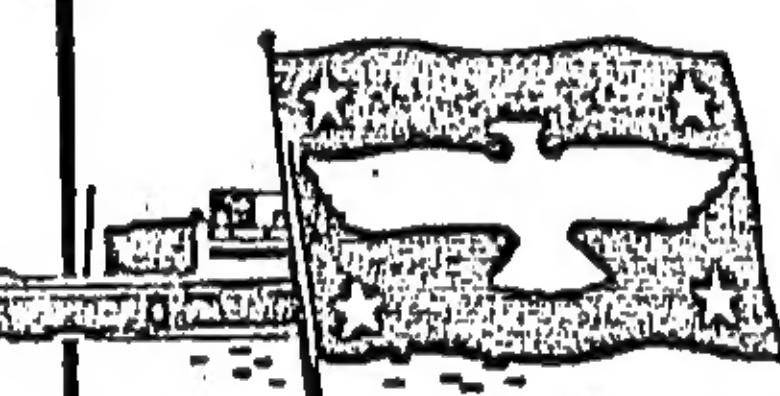
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The Spirit of Christmas. Carols by  
the Welsh Singers.

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather  
Report and Announcements.

8.03 Dance Music.

8.20 Studio—Comments on Recent  
Events.

8.30 London Relay—"Laugh before  
Lunch." A Variety Programme.

9.15 London Relay—News Sum-  
mary.

9.30 London Relay—"World Af-  
fairs."

9.45 A Variety and Dance Pro-  
gramme.

Vocal—The Song Of The Kettle  
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and Orchestra; Fox-Trot—Amarillo;  
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Green (Alm That's a good girl); Ol  
La! Lal (Alm That's a good girl);  
Jack Buchanan with Orchestra;  
Blues—Bye-Bye Blues; One-Step;  
California....Phil Green and His  
Orchestra; Comedian—I'm The Only  
Bit Of Comfort That She's Got...

Max Miller with Orchestra; Fox-  
Trot—Take My Heart....Dale Mc-  
Donough and His Orchestra; Com-  
edian—She Said She Wouldn't (Mil-  
ler); Max Miller with Orchestra;  
Fox-Trot—Let It Be Me (Alm 'Broad-  
way' Hostess)....Joe Wilbury and  
His Band; Descriptive Sketch—The  
Derby; Part 1—On The Road; Part 2—  
On The Course....with The Sing-  
ing Party King; Fox-Trot—Break-  
fast In Heaven (Alm "Transatlantic  
Rhythm"); Heard A Song In A Taxi  
(Alm "Transatlantic Rhythm");  
Harry Roy and His Orchestra; Humo-  
rous Monologue—Jonah and the  
Crampus (Editor); Stanley Holloway  
with Pinto; Fox-Trot—Your  
Feds' Too Big....Nat Gonella and  
His Georgians; 11.00 Close Down.

The tricks of a pick-pocket's trade were experienced by Mr. T. Bolt of the P.W.D., in Pedder Street yesterday, when Lo Sun, aged 24 and unemployed, attempted to steal a pen from him.

When Lo was charged before Mr.

Houston at the Central Magistracy this morning, Mr. Bolt said: "I felt a bump on my right shoulder and I naturally turned my head. The next moment a hand was over my left shoulder and was grasping my pen."

Complainant then described how he turned to the left and saw Lo standing very close to him, holding a piece of newspaper which was covering his breast pocket. A fountain pen was clipped in the pocket.

Mr. Bolt caught hold of the man but he managed to break away and ran into Des Voeux Road, Central, where he was caught by a passerby.

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## Ship Sunk In 90 Seconds Deptford Tragedy Revealed

LONDON, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—The full story of the sinking of the British steamer Deptford (4,000 tons) which was torpedoed in Norwegian waters on December 14, was made available to-day.

It reveals that when torpedoed, she was within half a mile of the Norwegian coast. The ship sank in 90 seconds with the loss of 32 out of 37 of the crew and also two Norwegian pilots.

Some survivors were picked up by the Norwegian motor-boat Farida, the captain of which states that he saw the submarine's conning tower break surface between the Deptford and land.

### Survivors' Stories

LONDON, Dec. 28 (British Wireless).—Evidence of definite use of neutral territorial waters for preying upon shipping in defiance of all principles of international law is contained in the testimony of survivors from the British steamer Deptford, one of three ships torpedoed in neutral waters.

Such a case might arise in bad weather if the ship attacked was closer to the outer edge of the three-mile limit. In the case of the torpedoing of the Deptford, the U-boat could not possibly plead navigational mistake. Visibility was excellent and the Deptford was less than half a mile from the high coast line.

Even more damning is the statement of the Captain of the Farida, who said that he saw the conning tower of the submarine break surface and the ship was between the Deptford and the land.

The Norwegian coast in that neighbourhood is deeply indented and has deep water right up to shore. It was an ideal place for a submarine—careless of the locality of its proceedings—to lie under water awaiting her chance, and there is little doubt that these were the tactics adopted by the U-boat concerned in the torpedoing of the Deptford.

It was only two days before that the Greek steamer, Gavoufala, had been torpedoed without warning in Norwegian territorial waters, while four days before that the British Thomas Walton had been torpedoed without warning off Narvik when well inside neutral territorial waters.

## U.S.S.R. GROWING MORE FOOD

### Radio Proudly Gives Latest Figures

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" LONDON, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—The Moscow radio gave prominence last night to the statement by M. Pronin, Vice-Commissar of the Food Industry, in which he claimed that the Soviet-Union-food-production had considerably increased this year and that a further increase was ensured next year.

M. Pronin stated that the Soviet output of bread in 1939 exceeded that of 1938 by 1,720,000 tons; the production of vegetable oils had increased by 51,000 tons; macaroni by 72,000 tons and champagne by 2,000,000 bottles.

Numerous new bread, sugar and tinned food factories will be opened next year.

The sugar production will be increased by 30 per cent and the output of tinned food by 17 per cent.

## Sent To Japanese Occupied Area

Banisher's Excuse  
That he had been wrongly sent just across the Hongkong border to Nantou, into Japanese occupied territory, and that he could not make his way from that town to Canton, was the excuse given by Hui Chin, 45, when he was charged before Mr. Forrest at the Central Magistrate this morning with returning from banishment.

Hui was expelled from the Colony for 10 years on December 17. He was sentenced to 12 months' hard labour.

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## Austin Road Tragedy

### Police Theory Is Not Substantiated

A semi-military funeral is to be given this afternoon to the late Stephen Michael Tracey, who was found dead in his room on the second floor of 134 Austin Road, Kowloon, yesterday afternoon. Though the outcome of the post mortem is not yet known, there is reason to believe that the original police theory of suicide will not be substantiated, and that Tracey died from natural causes.

Mr. Tracey became ill on Wednesday night after dinner and was too sick yesterday to go to work. He appeared to be suffering from fever. He remained in bed all day, but his death occurred late in the afternoon with unexpected suddenness.

The most noticed person in Hongkong will be Miss Thelma Webster, whom Mr. Tracey was to have married late in January.

### Formerly in R.A.S.C.

Mr. Tracey was formerly a Company Sergeant Major in the R.A.S.C. and had lately been employed as a civilian clerk with the Officer in Charge of Barracks in Hongkong, Captain E. Fillmore. He had been in the East—in Singapore, India, and Hongkong—for 18 months and came to Hongkong about 10 months ago. He was about 40 years of age.

He enlisted in the last war in March, 1917, and served both in France and in India, being in the latter country at the time of his discharge. His mother and father are dead and he has no relatives in the Colony; it is not known whether he has any relatives overseas.

His funeral will pass the Monument at 5 p.m. to-day on its way to the Roman Catholic Cemetery at Happy Valley. R.A.S.C. warrant officers and sergeants will be the bearers and a Royal Scots bugler will be in attendance.

## Flight Over Germany

### One British Plane Fails To Return

LONDON, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry announces that the R.A.F. carried out a successful reconnaissance flight over north-west Germany.

One plane did not return.

Other air activity included an attack on German ships when despite fierce AA fire one bomb at least was seen to hit the stern of one vessel.

In two cases elsewhere three Dornier flying boats were put to rout. There were no British casualties.

### German Claims

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" BERLIN, Dec. 28 (UP).—The official news agency reports that Lieut. Col. Karl Schumacher, piloting a pursuit plane, shot down an R.A.F. bomber over the German coast to-day.

Schumacher commanded the squadron which the Germans claimed brought down 36 R.A.F. planes on December 19.

The news agency also reports that the German patrols increased their activity on the western front with "good results."

Another report said that, despite bad weather, the Germans carried out reconnaissance flights over the English coast on Wednesday.

### Air Ministry Communiquo

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" LONDON, December 28 (UP).—The Royal Air Force carried out successful reconnaissance flights over north-west Germany on December 27. One British plane has not returned.

## GRACIE FIELDS CHEERS TROOPS

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" LONDON, Dec. 28 (Reuter).—Gracie Fields has arrived in the B.E.F. area.

"Reuters'" special correspondent with the British Army telephones that Gracie was facing another cheering audience shortly after her arrival. She then appeared in a second show before hurrying away to entertain troops in the rearward area.

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